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Chapter 137.

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SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the voters of the town of Nantucket at an annual or special town meeting during the current year.

House of Representatives, February 25 1958.

Passed to be enacted, John F. Thompson Speaker.

In Senate, February 25, 1958.

Passed to be enacted, Leverett H Holmes President.

February 28, 1958.
Approved,

Robert F. Bowen
Lieutenant Governor Acting Governor.

Chapter 137.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-eight

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NANTUCKET TO APPOINT A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE FOR A CELEBRATION COMMEMORATING THE THREE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SETTLEMENT OF THE TOWN OF NANTUCKET.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The selectmen of the town of Nantucket are hereby authorized to appoint a committee, consisting of not less than five members, who shall be residents of said town, to devise ways and means of observing the three hundredth anniversary of the settlement of the town of Nantucket and to handle all arrangements in connection with the celebration thereof, and to designate one of said members as treasurer of said committee. Said treasurer shall give bond for the faithful performance of his duties in such form and in such amount as the selectmen may determine. The committee shall elect from its membership a chairman and a secretary. Said committee may expend for the aforesaid purposes such sums as it deems necessary, including the expenses for stationery, advertising and stenographic services. The members of said committee shall receive no compensation for their services.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of this act, the town of Nantucket may appropriate such sums as it may determine.

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GENERAL PUBLICITY

On the following pages are representative newspaper and magazine stories featuring Nantucket's 300th Birthday, which appeared in off-island publications.

Since our press clipping service covered New England only, we have no way of knowing how widely Nantucket publicity was circulated in other parts of the country. It can be assumed that wire service stories, via Associated Press and United Press International, appeared in the daily newspapers in many states.

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Nantucket Island, Mass.

by Amanda Macy Gelpke

1959 marks the 300th anniversary of the founding of the first white settlement on an island 30 miles at sea and only 14 miles long by 3½ miles wide—the Island of Nantucket.

There are early legends of how Nantucket came into being. It was told that a giant lived on the Atlantic Coast and used Cape Cod for his bed. One night, being restless, he tossed from side to side till his mocassins were filled with sand. This so angered him, that on rising in the morning ,he flung the offending moccasins from his feet, one alighting to form Martha's Vineyard, while the other became the since famous island of Nantucket. (1)

Another story is of a fond Massachusetts father of hundreds of years ago who had three daughters, Elizabeth, Martha and Nancy. He wished the three girls to have some of the property he owned which were islands in the Atlantic Ocean. Elizabeth chose a group which therefore were called the Elizabeth Islands. Martha liked the place which grew so many plants and wild grapes, so her choise was called Martha's Vineyard. There was only one island left, so "Nancy took it—" her nickname being Nan, the Island became known as Nan took it, or Nantucket.

These legends are interesting, but of course not true. We do have historical records which give us facts about America in her earliest years after Columbus discovered her.

The great navigator and explorer Bartholomew Gosnold in 1602, just 110 years after Columbus, sighted the Island later known as Nantucket.

He and his 30 sailors landed at Sankaty Head. (A famous ferry-steamer of the 1920's was called the Sankety after this promontory.) They did not settle there because they were searching for Virginia, a new plantation on the continent of America.

The English King claimed title and authority over Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, and the Elizabeth Islands because two English captains and explorers, John Cabot and his son, Sebastian, back in 1497-1498 had, with his permission, cruised along the coast of America from Florida to Labrador, claiming all the coastline for the King.

(1) Douglas-Lithgow "Nantucket: A History" 1914 pg. 17.

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PERSONAL INVITATION to attend Nantucket's 300th Birthday Celebration on July 2 is extended to Governor Wesley Powell of New Hampshire by Marie Roan Cloud of Newsome & Company, Inc. Invitations will be extended to all six New England Governors, Governor of New York, and many distinguished persons.

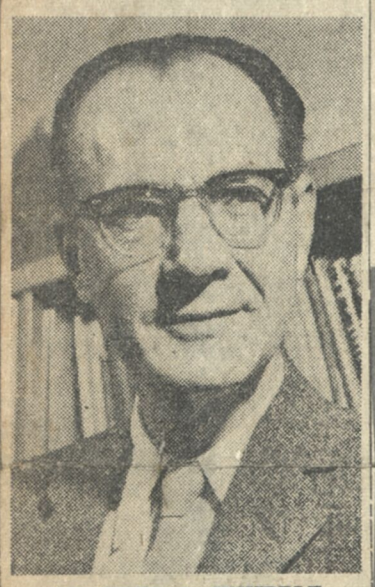
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Library Open House April 13

Film, Speakers to Tell Of Influence of Books

What can happen when you read a book? Belmont adults and students of Junior and Senior High age are invited to an unusual demonstration, on Monday evening April 13, at 7:45 p.m. in the Belmont Public Library on Pleasant st. Four outstanding personalities will open Belmont's celebration of National Library Week by taking part in this event.

Ruth Ley, well known photographer and lecturer, will be mistress of ceremonies and show via a color film what happened to Roland Wells Robbins, whose reading of "Walden" led to his discovery of the site of Thoreau's cabin. Betty Cavanna, famous



DR. FRED L. WHIPPLE
Interests Stimulated

author of teen age books will tell the reaction of young people to her stories. John Florena, great inspiration and head of Belmont's Welfare Department, who was blinded "practically overnight," will tell what book most influenced his life. Dr. Fred L. Whipple, internationally known satellite expert, will tell what books stimulated him in his far flung interests.

In addition, there will be Open House at the Library with guided tours starting at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served with Mrs. Jaako J. Mikkola in charge. There will be no charge for admission.

Mrs. Ruth Ley of 222 Prospect st. represented the United States at the World's Fair in Brussels where she showed her own film "Nantucket, Island of the Whalers" and thus brought to Europe a vision of the charm and tradition of an historical American town.

has recently written a book himself. This work, entitled "Hidden America," is scheduled to be published this summer by Knopf.



RUTH LEY
Mistress of Ceremonies

The color film which she will show on April 13 tells the story of Roland Wells Robbins who lives in Lincoln, and whose reading of Henry Thoreau's "Walden" led not only to his discovery of the authentic site of the Thoreau cabin but to a successful career in archaeology. Known as the "Pick and Shovel Historian," Mr. Robbins now has many discoveries of early America to his credit, including the first American iron works in Saugus and the birthplace of Thomas Jefferson. He is working at important restorations. One is the "Phillips Castle" in Tarrytown, N. Y. (a mansion built by a Dutchman around 1650.) Others are historical restorations at Lake Champlain and at Bethlehem, Pa. Not only have books been a springboard to Mr. Robbins success, but he

Betty Cavanna, who in private life is Mrs. George R. Harrison and lives at 75 Fletcher rd., is a Belmont author whose stories of teen agers have special appeal for young readers, many of whom have written her of their reactions to her stories. Her most recent book is "Stars in her Eyes."

John Florena, who is Belmont's public welfare agent, is a well known town officer. Some time ago, he was stricken by blindness. Yet, inspired by his reading, and with the help of his guide dog "Beacon" who will appear with him on April 13, he has made a remarkable adjustment and today holds a responsible administrative position directing Belmont's work in Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, Disability Assistance and General Relief.

Dr. Fred Whipple, who lives at 35 Elizabeth rd., is a professor of astronomy at Harvard and director of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory. On April 13, he will speak of some of the many books which have stimulated his imagination and interest in science. Today he is one of the world's foremost experts on satellites — serving as a member of the Rocket Scientific Panel of the United States. Among many other extraordinary honors, Dr. Whipple has received Donohue medals for the independent discovery of six new comets, has also contributed scientific papers on astronomy and the upper atmosphere to the Encyclopedia Brittanica.

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BEN TO NANTUCKET: When they tore down Boston's Mechanics Building to make way for the new Prudential Center recently, a sculptured head of Benjamin Franklin was carefully removed. What happened to it? Well, it was purchased by the *Nantucket* (Mass.) *Inquirer & Mirror* and it will ultimately go to the Nantucket Historical Society. And why to Nantucket? Well, that little island points out that Ben Franklin's great grandfather, Peter Folger, was an original settler on that island. Bet most of you didn't know that.

RER AND MIRROR, NANTUCKET, MASS.



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Nantucket Island, Mass.

by Amanda Macy Gelpke

300TH BIRTHDAY
1659-1959
Part 2

While Columbus, the Cabots and Gosnold were sailing the Atlantic, great tribes of Indians were roaming throughout North America.

The three principal Massachusetts tribes were the Massachusetts or Naticks, the Nipmucks, and the Wampanoags. The chief of the Wampanoags when the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth in 1620 was Massasoit whose friendly welcome and help enabled the English to survive in the New World. The Wampanoags were the third greatest nation in New England.

The island of Nantucket, when first settled by the whites, was occupied by two tribes. The one which controlled the east end of the island was supposed to have come from the mainland by way of Martha's Vineyard, and was under the control of the Wampanoags. The east end Indians were thought to have come directly from the mainland. The two tribes were independent and were for a time hostile to each other.

The Indian name for Nantucket was "Natocket" which meant "the far away land" or "the land for away at sea." Thus the first settlers used that name as the basis for their designation of the place.

This island, claimed by the English King, inhabited by Indians and far at sea formed an important part of Massachusetts history in the years that followed 1659.

Throughout the ages men seem to have been attracted to islands, whether because of curiosity, escape from some type of persecution, or search for Utopia. England, herself insular, was the colonizing force of the New World and for Nantucket.

All the North American land between Cape Cod and the Hudson River in New York had been granted by the King of England to Lord Sterling. Aquisition of territory for the colonists would have to be by deed from Lord Sterling.

The chain of historical events started when James Forrett as agent for Lord Sterling sold in 1641 "the island of Nantuckett and two other small islands adjacent" to Thomas Mayhew of Watertown, merchant, and to Thomas Mayhew, his son.

Eighteen years later, in 1659, on July 2 (which is the official birthday date of Nantucket's tercentenary this year), Mayhew, senior, gave the deed to nine men, thereafter called the "original proprietors." This deed marked the beginning of Nantucket's history as we know it today.

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NANTUCKET'S 300th BIRTHDAY THIS SUMMER

This will be the summer to set sail for grey-shingled and cobble-stoned Nantucket because the "little grey lady of the sea" is having a summer-long birthday party — her 300th.

The wonderful old island from which tall ships and tall men once sailed the whalepaths of the world is flavoring the summer celebration with touches of the great days when she was the whaling capital of the world.

Nantucket men are growing beards and Nantucket ladies are unpacking from family trunks the gowns which you would have seen in the 1800's on Main street or on the high widow's walks atop the houses.

Cost 40 Pounds

The actual birthday of Nantucket is July 2 and in 1659 Thomas Mayhew, who had bought the island for 40 pounds in 1641, sold it for 30 pounds "of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife."

The buyers were 11 men of Massachusetts who settled on the island and started the tradition of names that still shine in the logbooks of the whaling era — Thomas Macy, Tristram Coffin, Edward Starbuck, Richard Swaine, and Peter Folger, whose daughter was Benjamin Franklin's mother.

The great days of whaling brought great fortunes to the captains and owners and these gentlemen lived well in the simple and stately red-brick mansions which you can see this summer. Houses like the "Three Bricks" on Main street which Mr. Starbuck built for himself and his two sons.

And you mustn't miss the Whaling Museum with its long boats and harpoons and portraits of the whaling skippers. There, too, you can see the log of the Capt. Folger who discovered on Pitcairn Island survivors of the mutiny on the "Bounty."

To Be Proclaimed

On May 1 Gov. Furcolo is to proclaim officially the tercentenary observance of the island where beaches shine white in the summer and the moors are heather-bright in the fall.

Boston will have share in the big birthday party with exhibits of historic Nantucket in a number of places in the city and there will be a special exhibit in New York's Grand Central station.

New Yorkers now make up a great part of the summer population which swells to more than 22,000, compared to a year-round population of 3400. Generations of Bostonians have spent their summers on the island, 30 miles off the Massachusetts coast.

Nantucket committees have already planned a full program of events which will continue to Sept. 15. June 21, 40 members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra will play a concert in the auditorium of Nantucket High School.

Unique Place

On Aug. 7 the destroyer USS Miller will pick up a mooring off Nantcket in a gesture honoring the island's "unique place in American naval history."

The Olympic trials of the Flying Dutchman class of sailboats will be held Aug. 20 through Aug. 22.

Many of the "pleasant Nantucket customs" of the whaling time will be revived for the celebration. There will be a sheep-shearing, "a real old quilting bee," church suppers and an old-fashioned firemen's muster.

There will be family reunions of descendants of the first 11 families who settled on the island and recreating the drama of the whaling voyages will be a series of "whaling seminars."

Undimmed Drama

Even in this missile age there is undimmed drama still in the phrase "Nantucket sleigh ride." That's what the whalers called the wild ride through the deep after the harpooner had set the irons in the whale and the sea monster raced away with the long-boat in tow.

During the celebration they're going to close Main street to cars from time to time, all the way across the cobblestones from the Pacific Club to the Pacific National Bank. Then they'll pitch the party right in the square.

It looks to be a bright little island the whole summer long. Tourists from every part of the country are expected to throng the island and, of course, have their photos taken under the sign which reads "Easy Street."

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Mrs. John Buckly of 25 Whittier Road was guest of honor at a stork shower on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Vincent Dugan in Ashland. There were about twenty of her close friends and members of her family present.

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Red Men To Celebrate

Nantucket Island Week End Trip

Saggahew Tribe, 60, I.O.R.M., will participate in a week end excursion Saturday at Nantucket Island. The event held annually will be of special significance this year as the visiting Red Men throughout the state will initiate the first in a series of celebrations observing the 300th anniversary of the founding of Nantucket.

A large number of the members of the local tribe will be accompanied by their families and guests who take part in the celebration.

In combination with this observance, the Great Sachem of Massachusetts, Frank H. Fielding, of Methuen, will make his official visitation to Wauwinet Tribe 158 of Nantucket. It is this tribe that is sponsoring the anniversary "kick-off" program which will be a major tourist attraction for the coming spring and summer seasons.

The Methuen group will leave from Red Men's hall, Saturday morning no later than 7:15 a. m. and form a motorcade headed by Mr. Fielding, and drive to Woods Hole on Cape Cod. There they will combine with those who have gathered from various parts of Massachusetts. The boat for the island will be boarded at 11 and approximately three hours later will arrive at Nantucket Island. Arrangements have been made with the Nantucket Steamship Authority to furnish dressing roams so that the Red Men and Pocahontas groups may change into Indian costume in order to participate in the parade which will be held as soon as the boat docks.

At the docks the group will be met by Wauwinet Tribe, who will forward the luggage of the visitors to their respective hotels, and then form the parade. At the conclusion of the parade, Wauwinet Tribe will furnish a supper and entertainment for all visitors with the Red Men's group.

During the official visit of the Great Sachem Fielding, the women, children, and guests will be given a conducted sightseeing tour of the island. The tour will also be conducted Sunday, after church services, for the benefit of those who have not previously made the trip. The boat will return to the mainland Sunday at 5:45 p. m. allowing a reasonable time to return home.

A special meeting of the ways and means committee of the Degree of Pocahontas and Saggahew Tribe, will be held tonight at 7:30 at Red Men's hall. This is for the purpose of submitting final reports and returns on the recently held, highly successful, reception to Great Sachem, Frank Fielding.

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NANTUCKET'S 300th BIRTHDAY THIS SUMMER

This will be the summer to set sail for grey-shingled and cobble-stoned Nantucket because the "little grey lady of the sea" is having a summer-long birthday party — her 300th.

The wonderful old island from which tall ships and tall men once sailed the whalepaths of the world is flavoring the summer celebration with touches of the great days when she was the whaling capital of the world.

Nantucket men are growing beards and Nantucket ladies are unpacking from family trunks the gowns which you would have seen in the 1800's on Main street or on the high widow's walks atop the houses.

Cost 40 Pounds

The actual birthday of Nantucket is July 2 and in 1659 Thomas Mayhew, who had bought the island for 40 pounds in 1641, sold it for 30 pounds "of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife."

The buyers were 11 men of Massachusetts who settled on the island and started the tradition of names that still shine in the logbooks of the whaling era — Thomas Macy, Tristram Coffin, Edward Starbuck, Richard Swaine, and Peter Folger, whose daughter was Benjamin Franklin's mother.

The great days of whaling brought great fortunes to the captains and owners and these gentlemen lived well in the simple and stately red-brick mansions which you can see this summer. Houses like the "Three Bricks" on Main street which Mr. Starbuck built for himself and his two sons.

And you mustn't miss the Whaling Museum with its long boats and harpoons and portraits of the whaling skippers. There, too, you can see the log of the Capt. Folger who discovered on Pitcairn Island survivors of the mutiny on the "Bounty."

To Be Proclaimed

On May 1 Gov. Furcolo is to proclaim officially the tercentenary observance of the island where beaches shine white in the summer and the moors are heather-bright in the fall.

Boston will have share in the big birthday party with exhibits of historic Nantucket in a number of places in the city and there will be a special exhibit in New York's Grand Central station.

New Yorkers now make up a great part of the summer population which swells to more than 22,000, compared to a year-round population of 3400. Generations of Bostonians have spent their summers on the island, 30 miles off the Massachusetts coast.

Nantucket committees have already planned a full program of events which will continue to Sept. 15. June 21, 40 members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra will play a concert in the auditorium of Nantucket High School.

Unique Place

On Aug. 7 the destroyer USS Miller will pick up a mooring off Nantcket in a gesture honoring the island's "unique place in American naval history."

The Olympic trials of the Flying Dutchman class of sailboats will be held Aug. 20 through Aug. 22.

Many of the "pleasant Nantucket customs" of the whaling time will be revived for the celebration. There will be a sheep-shearing, "a real old quilting bee," church suppers and an old-fashioned firemen's muster.

There will be family reunions of descendants of the first 11 families who settled on the island and recreating the drama of the whaling voyages will be a series of "whaling seminars."

Undimmed Drama

Even in this missile age there is undimmed drama still in the phrase "Nantucket sleigh ride." That's what the whalers called the wild ride through the deep after the harpooner had set the irons in the whale and the sea monster raced away with the long boat in tow.

During the celebration they're going to close Main street to cars from time to time, all the way across the cobblestones from the Pacific Club to the Pacific National Bank. Then they'll pitch the party right in the square.

It looks to be a bright little island the whole summer long. Tourists from every part of the country are expected to throng the island and, of course, have their photos taken under the sign which reads "Easy Street."

Nantucket's 300th

By JAMES H. WINCHESTER

NANTUCKET — There are many restored historical shrines in America, but rarely can you find a piece cut right out of the past which has never changed at all. Nantucket is the exception.

This year a Summer-long celebration marks the island's 300th birthday. It begins Wednesday.

THAT DAY this stately little island will show off her best for hundreds of famous visitors who have been specially invited to the party.

Nantucketers are proud people and they have a proud heritage. Nantucket—it means "far away island"—was once the whaling capital of the world and in its heyday oil from here lighted the streets of London and Paris. The first American flag ever to be flown in England was from the mast of a Nantucket ship.

Nantucket is house-proud and town-proud. Every home is a living museum.

Many customs (of yesteryear) will be revived and polished up for Summer visitors this anniversary Summer. These include the fireman's muster. Nantucket fire-fighters have challenged mainland teams to several competitions. The women of the island are wearing whaling-day dresses and the men have grown a fine crop of beards.

ANOTHER CUSTOM — The Main Street fete—will be presented on Aug. 11.

Nantucket's Whaling Museum has many special new displays this Summer, too, especially prepared for the 300th anniversary.

Getting to Nantucket from the New York metropolitan area is easy, whatever way you travel. Express highways now allow you to zip to Cape Cod—where you make boat connections to the island—in one-third less time than in previous years.

The New York, New Haven & Hartford has discontinued—at least for the present—direct service to the Cape from New York, but their trains will take you to Providence, where there are direct buses to the Nantucket boat connection. Northeast Air Lines offers a fine Summer service direct from LaGuardia Field to Nantucket.

NANTUCKET'S celebration is only one of the highlights of this Summer's New England travel season. There is plenty to see and do everywhere in the weeks ahead. One of the best ways to take in New England's vacation offerings is on one of the variety of planned tours being offered out of Boston by New England Trailways—tours designed to last from two to eight days. They also offer several one-day vacation trips to scenic resorts near Boston.

One of Trailway's longer tours, for instance, goes through Maine and as far north as the Laurentian mountains, with vacation stopovers at Casco Bay, the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec City, and Montreal. An eight-day tour out of Boston, it winds up at Lake Winnipesaukee in New Hampshire's White Mountains. The entire trip, exclusive of meals, costs only $86.44.

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500-Pound Cheese Given To Lafayette

WASHINGTON—One of the most unusual gifts presented to General Lafayette in gratitude for his services to the United States was from the people of Nantucket Island. They voted in 1784 that each inhabitant should contribute the milk given by his cow in 24 hours and that the whole quantity should be made into a 500-pound cheese and presented to him.

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Keith and Saltonstall in Tribute to Nantucket

Tributes to Nantucket on that island's three hundredth anniversary were made in the House and Senate this week by Rep. Hastings Keith and Sen. Leverett Saltonstall. The story of Nantucket's history through the whaling era to that of the modern summer resort days gives "the moral and spiritual revitalizing that great events in history provide," Mr. Keith said, and he invited his colleagues to visit Nantucket during the celebration this coming summer.

Senator Saltonstall said Congress itself should be imbued "with the spirit that enabled Nantucket over the past three centuries to play such a vital role in the establishment and development of this great nation".

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Good Afternoon!

News of Our Towns

CRIME IS DIFFERENT: Sheriff Donald P. Tulloch told Falmouth Rotarians how much the type of criminal with whom country law enforcement agencies deal has changed in a single generation.

"Years ago," he said, "the prisoners were largely drunks and vagrants, with a small smattering of men jailed for non-support. Many were 'characters' whom the jailers got to know very well.

"It was only necessary to turn them out into the prison farm and put them to work. Security was not a problem. They got along with the smallest amount of supervision.

"Now the picture has changed. Today more than 60 per cent. of the prisoners are felons. Another 29 to 30 per cent. are jailed for aggravated misdemeanors, such as assault. Only a small percentage are drunks and vagrants. . . .

"The average age is younger. Many are youngsters 16, 17 and 18. These are difficult to deal with. Most have never been subject to discipline . . .

"Result is that security has become very much of a problem."

STONE AGE: Middleboro residents have known for several years that they are living near the site where Stone Age men and women built their homes and practiced cannibalism 4000 years ago.

That news came to light as amateur archeologists uncovered an archaic village at Lake Assawompsett in 1946 — the first such village discovered in New England.

These amateurs are helping to prove that different types of people lived their different ways in this section with only one thing in common: They liked the same locations . . .

For thousands of years, they built their villages beside rivers or on the shores of lakes so that a single site discloses half a dozen cultures.

SCIENTIFIC AGE: Not all parents agree about benefits of this new scientifc age. Some of them think it takes a lot of extra work — and courage.

Such an attitude became known at the annual Science Fair of Lawrence High school, where parents confessed the trials and tribuations of assisting their children.

One mother bought three mice for an experiment — and two of them became lost in the house.

A father lost all enthusiasm for science when he looked into the refrigerator one day and discovered a bottle of blood placed there by his scientific-minded daughter.

Another father who assisted his daughter in the dissection of the ovaries of a mouse learned that he was partner to a pathological fraud — those ovaries were really kidneys.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT: The Dennis - Yarmouth Register told a story about a man who was given the task of intercepting on the New York to Boston train a couple he had never met.

He was to ask the couple to get off at the Route 128 station instead of riding in to Back Bay.

It was his luck to have every one of the nine passenger coaches so crowded there was standing room only.

Undaunted, he worked his way through the entire train, asking one strange couple after another whether they planned to get off at Back Bay. Some people stared at him in amazement. Others, thinking he was trying to be fresh, gave him a rough time.

After all that trouble, he still didn't locate the couple he sought.

They had taken an earlier train.

ANNIVERSARY: "The Little Gray Lady of the Sea" is getting ready for her 300th birthday. The lady is Nantucket, once the whaling capital of the world, who still looks today as she did in the 1800's when whaling was at its height.

About 50 per cent. of the island's male population is growing beards in honor of the occasion and the women are busy making costumes that go back to another century.

A program this summer will commemorate the 300th anniversary of the landing of the first white settlers on the island.

THRIFTY: Little Truro can take a bow. She is deadlocked with Mt. Washington for the lowest tax rate in Massachusetts — $33.

The highest tax rate in the State belongs to Essex — $120.

Eighty-nine of the 121 communities in the State reported a tax increase.

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Nantucket's Tercentenary

Nantucket; that gem of an island 30 miles off the Massachusetts coast, is getting ready to celebrate its 300th birthday with a Summer-long series of events that should prove well worth attending.

The "little grey lady of the sea" has a spell unique among the islands that lie off the New England shores. Those who have visited Nantucket are generally enchanted by its picturesque homes and streets, redolent with nostalgic memories of the great days of the whaling industry in the 1800's.

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The three centuries since have been rich in history for the island and this Summer's show will recall it all in colorful detail. Lynn has its own sentimental link with Nantucket in the memory of the great astronomer of the last century, Maria Mitchell, who lived many years of her life in both Lynn and Nantucket. Her old home on the island continues to this day as a prime tourist attraction.

This year shapes up as a fine time for either a first or a return visit to the Bay State's lovely island.

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Massasoit Tribe Members Trail To Nantucket Island

Members of Massasoit Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, enjoyed a fish chowder supper during their regular Wednesday night meeting. The supper was prepared by Junior Sagamore Harold Lafond who donated the fish.

Two members of the tribe, Sachem George Mackenzie and Keeper of Wampum Robert Laventure, made a trip to Wauwinet Tribe of Nantucket Island last weekend for the official visit of Great Sachem Frank Fielding of Methuen.

The various members of the tribe who made the visit enjoyed a three-hour boat ride, the Nantucket street parade and a ham and bean supper, followed by the meeting and an evening of entertainment and dancing.

Sunday morning the members attended various church services and were given a personal tour of the island by the members of the Nantucket tribe.

Beverly Red Men will participate in three public relations shows to be presented by the Wingaersheek Tribe of Gloucester.

The tribe had one visitor, Past Sachem Alfred Powers of Gloucester who is running for the office of Great Junior Sagamore this summer. Past Sachem Stuart B. Johnson of the local tribe also will enter the election, seeking the office of Great Trustee.

Several members of the tribe will trail to Wonewak Tribe of Franklin for its annual banquet and dance, next Saturday.

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Nantucket 300 Years Old To Celebrate This Summer

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Welcome To Nantucket

John Stackpole, publisher of The Nantucket Inquiror and Mirror, read in The Enterprise that Falmouth's PTA Queen and her escort, chosen at Friday's subscription dance, are to be rewarded with a trip to Nantucket. The island publisher will arrange to have the Falmouth couple met at the plane and conducted on a tour, which will include summer attractions opened specially for this occasion.

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NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE FIELD OF TRAVEL

AIR travel to Miami and other points in Florida from the East and the Midwest, and between other cities in the East will become 25 per cent cheaper for persons willing to travel night coach, on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays between the hours of 10 P. M. and 4 A. M. Five airlines put the new rate into effect last Sunday, following Civil Aeronautics Board approval on April 15. The lines are National Airlines, which initially proposed the reduction, Eastern Air Lines, Northeast Airlines, Northwest Airlines and Delta Air Lines.

The new rate on New York-Miami flights permits a saving of $12.87 over the regular night coach fare. Including taxes, the new one-way rate is $38.61, the old, $51.48. This is a few cents cheaper than the one-way bus fare New York-Miami, which is $38.89 with tax. The round-trip bus fare, however, $70.02, is less than the round-trip air fare, $77.78, on which there is no reduction for a round trip. Day coach rate by air remains the same, $58.91, tax included, New York-Miami.

Among the long list of cities at which the lower fares are effective are New York, Boston, Washington, Philadelphia, Chicago, Atlanta, Cincinnati, Dallas, Detroit, and such Florida resort cities as Miami, Tampa, Clearwater, St. Petersburg, Jacksonville and Orlando.

De Luxe Coaches

Along with the news of the new night coach rate is word from Eastern Air Lines that it will offer, beginning today, a de luxe day and night coach service. For an extra $1.50, included in the fare, on day coach flights between many cities, passengers will get complimentary hot meals, be able to buy liquors and other beverages while in flight and will be provided roomier accommodation.

On the de luxe night coach flights, there will be no fare rise but at $1 extra, passengers, at their own option, will be served snacks and can buy a choice of beverages while aboard. The new services will apply on flights operating during customary meal hours, and on certain night coach flights, including same at the new low rate.

Passengers on the de luxe coach flights will also be able to select individual seat reservations at airport ticket counters before departure time, a service hitherto available only on Eastern's first-class flights.

JET FUROR

As a result of Great Britain's refusal last week-end to permit Pan American World Airways to fly a Boeing 707 jet out of London Airport to New York in the early morning hours, the carrier had hurriedly to revise its jet flight schedules. Pan American had planned a daily 1:30 A. M. jet departure from London for New York starting tomorrow morning, but, ostensibly, acting upon objections of citizens of a near-by village to the noise the jet would make at that hour, the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation put a ban on the flight. The village, Longford, is in direct line with the runway on which the jets take off.

The flight has been rescheduled to leave London at 1:30 P. M. Since the airline has six jet planes on the transatlantic routes, other schedules have been revised. The daily 10 A. M. New York-London flight has been changed to 9:30 P. M., and a New York-Paris flight, originally scheduled at 9 A. M. beginning June 1, has been moved to 4:45 P. M. The airline now has two jet flights daily to London and one to Paris, this jet continuing on to Rome. On June 1 three more Paris jet flights will be added. These will not go on to Rome.

Other Factors

There were reports here that the objections of the Longford citizens against the early morning flight was not the only reason for Britain's refusal. It is pointed out that the Ministry's refusal came close upon the decision of the United States Civil Aeronautics Board denying British Overseas Airways Corporation permission to fly from San Francisco to Tokyo. This was a big blow to the British national airline, since such a flight would give B. O. A. C. a world-wide air network, through Hong Kong and on to London. The C. A. B. decision came on April 17. On April 13, Northwest Orient Airlines had filed an objection with the C. A. B. to the proposed service by B. O. A. C. Northwest flies from the West Coast to Tokyo via Alaska. It claimed that the addition of another carrier on the route would have cut into its business.

It is also reported by British authorities in London that Pan American announced the 1:30 A. M. service without prior consultation of the British Government. This is contrary to procedure and as such is open to rejection, according to British laws. But Pan American officials here said that an application was filed with the British Government for the 1:30 A. M. departure, along with applications for other schedule changes, on Feb. 26, and that on April 17 it received word from British authorities that the flight would not be permitted.



Elizabeth Hibbs

A WALK BY THE SEA—The beach at Siasconset on Nantucket Island.

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VIRGIN ISLANDS

A new pamphlet giving summer rates for hotels and guest houses in the Virgin Islands has been issued by the islands' Department of Tourism and Trade. Listed are fifty-nine establishments, with rates, number of rooms and types of guest plans available as well as information on recreational activities, customs privileges and descriptions of air and sea transportation to the islands. Copies may be obtained free from the Virgin Islands Government Tourist Office, 750 Third Avenue, New York 17.

BUSY DELAWARE

Delaware is blossoming with spring attractions for tourists. The Henry du Pont Winterthur Museum, near Wilmington, is now open to the public without advance reservations, continuing through May 23. There visitors may tour the thirty-acre garden and period rooms ranging in date from 1715 to 1840. Both museum and garden will be open Tuesdays through Saturdays. The garden only will be open on Sunday afternoons. Admission is $1.25 weekdays, $1.75 Saturdays, 50 cents for the garden on Sundays.

At New Castle, that community's annual Antique Show will take place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at the old Academy-on-the-Green and at the Presbyterian Church House. The church, sponsor of the event, was built in 1707; the Academy in 1798. All types of antiques will be on display and for sale. Hours are 11 A. M. to 10 P. M. Wednesday and Thursday, 11 A. M. to 6 P. M. Friday. Luncheon, dinner and snacks will be served. Admission is 75 cents.

Dover will stage its Old Dover Days next Saturday and Sunday.

DAY IN NEW HOPE

New Hope, Pa., will hold its annual Open House Day, for the benefit of the local Public Health Nursing Association, on Saturday, May 9. Among the houses on the tour are some built in the eighteenth century. Many contain antique furniture and china collections. A new feature this year is a trip to the studio of the artist Harold Bowler, who paints mostly portraits and flowers and has one of his paintings in the permanent collection of the Library of Congress. Some of his work will be on display. Included in the tour price of $2 is a tea served at the old Solebury School. Tickets may be obtained by writing Open House Day, New Hope, Pa.

DAY COACH FLIGHTS

Capital Airlines today inaugurated day coach flights out of New York to points north, west and south. This is the first time the line will have day coach flights, its coach services previously having been at night. The new flights include the cost of meals in the fare, and passengers can also purchase champagne while en route. Fares for the new service, as compared with the line's first-class rates, are: to Buffalo by coach, $17.90, first class, $21.20; Detroit by coach, $27.50, first class $33.35; Minneapolis and St. Paul by coach, $52.15, first class $65.10; Norfolk, $19.20 coach, $22.85 first class. These are one-way rates, tax not included. Capital has also increased its service from New York to Atlanta by adding two turbo-prop Viscount flights, and has added two more trips to New Orleans, for a total of five, one of them a Viscount night coach flight. Direct service to Richmond, Va., is also being introduced by the line.

PARK CABINS

The first of six groups of camping cabins have been opened for rental at Letchworth State Park in western New York. Additional cabins will be available this Saturday and on May 8, 15, 29 and June 27. The cabins hold two to six persons and have electric ranges and refrigerators, chairs and cots. Most of them are served by central toilets, although some have their own toilet facilities. Campers supply their own bedding and cooking utensils. Rates range from $4 to $9.50 a day, $14 to $45 a week. For reservations write the Genesee State Park Commission, Castile, N. Y.

BORROWED 707'S

National Airlines is about to return two Boeing 707 jets it borrowed from Pan American World Airways for its New York-Miami service. Tomorrow one of them will make its last flight this season, and flights of the other will be terminated on May 16. National plans to rent two 707's again next September, and in addition will put a DC-8 jet on the Miami run. Meanwhile, the carrier is getting delivery of Electra turboprops. The first of these flights is scheduled for today, Miami to New York. Flying time is estimated at 3 hours and 15 minutes.

HERE AND THERE

A new museum devoted to the history of the American circus will open in July at Baraboo, Wis., birthplace of the Ringling Brothers and Gollmar circuses. . . . A new vacation guide listing activities at fifty-five coastal and innumerable inland resorts in New Jersey is available free from the state's Department of Conservation and Economic Development, Trenton 25, N. J. . . . Guest Airlines, which began weekly service from Mexico City to Paris via Miami, Lisbon and Madrid last month, will increase the service to thrice weekly on Friday. . . . A new eighteen-hole golf course, with reduced green fees to guests staying at hotels which are members, will open at Ocean City, Md., on May 30. . . . Thirteen hotels, bringing the total to seventy-nine, have been added to the listings in Panagra's new edition of "A Guide to Better Hotels in South America" available free by writing Panagra's South American Information Bureau, Chrysler Building, New York 17.

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Summer Events To Feature

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Publisher Reunion Chairman

As a part of the summer anniversary celebration, six of the old families of Nantucket will hold reunions there. They include the Coffins, the Folgers, the Starbucks, the Gardners, the Husseys, and the Macys.

Curtiss Johnson of Essex, publisher of The New Era, is chairman for the Macy family reunion. The Macy family descended from Thomas Macy, original settler of the island. The Macy reunion is scheduled for June 20 and 21.



THE MACY HOMESTEAD is one of the Nantucket landmarks most admired by visitors to the island 30 miles off the Massachusetts coast. Built in 1770, the homestead is on Nantucket's Main Street adjacent to the three famous identical brick houses, all built by whalers, during the days when whale oil was lighting the lamps of America.

DoYouRemember

(Cont. from editorial page)

The Clinton Homemakes were to celebrate their 25th anniversary with a banquet and program at Woodlawn Inn, Apr. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Cushman Sears had returned to their home in Old Saybrook after spending many weeks in Nevada and then motoring through California, Mexico and Florida.

The engagement of Miss Sally Marcia Sprague of Dedham, Mass., a granddaughter of Mrs George Black of Essex formerly of Deep River, to Lt. Richard C. Marvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John K. L. Marvin of Deep River had been announced.

Arthur E. Price of Essex took title to the property of the LaPlace Ziegra and Price Funeral Home Monday, April 21. He planned to unite the Essex Funeral home and the Deep River Home, he having been the sole proprietor of the two funeral homes for the past 15 months. He had purchased the former Jennings home on South Main Street and after remodeling, the funeral home was to be located there.

Mrs. George Redfield, the former Mary Sweeney of Ivoryton entertained at her home in Old Lyme in honor of the first birthday of her son George Mark Redfield, Wednesday afternoon, Apr 14.

25 Years Ago

The one hundredth anniversary celebration of the Deep River Congregational Church came to a close on Sunday evening, Apr. 15 following a three day celebration which brought nearly 1000 persons in attendance, with many visitors present from out of town.

Mrs. Josephine Post Sellow of Pittsfield, Mass., died Friday Apr. 13. A native of Ivoryton she was the widow of Charles W. Sellow and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Post.

The members of the Deep River Band enjoyed an excellent clam chowder supper following the weekly rehearsal. About 40 members were present

Miss Eleanor Bigelow of East Haddam had gone to New York where she had accepted a position as consultant nutrionist at the Emergency Relief Bureu of the Department of Public Welfare in the city of New York.

George Berg, who had been employed at Sea Island, Ga., had returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Berg in Chester.

The Misses Daisy and Sally Crook of East Haddam had been spending several days visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Daisy Crook of Hamburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lea Marsh of Old Lyme had announced the engagement of their daughter, Caroline Lane Marsh, to William E. S. Griswold of New York and Black Hall.

Miss Arlene Lohse of Essex was married Friday evening, Apr. 13 to Norman Lowrey of Essex.

Miss Myrta Morgan of Centerbrook was to attend the Grand Court Order of Amaranths in Hartford.

50 Years Ago

The bronze tablet containing Lincoln's Gettysburg Address presented to the Union school in Deep River, had been mounted and placed in the high school room.

John S. Dickinson and Gordon Smith had been surveying the roads in Old Saybrook. These roads were to be macadamized in the near future.

Miss Lena O'Brien of Deep River was united in marriage to Michael Holland of Norwich in St. Joseph's R.C. Church in Chester by Rev. J.J. Fitzgerald.

Ida Augusta, wife of John P. Winschell, died at her home in Winthrop after an illness of several weeks. She left, beside her husband, two sons, William age 12, and Carl 9.

With ice selling at one cent a pound, many people found it cheaper to go without.

John Simonton, who lived near the William's & Marvin factory on the Winthrop Road, had an exciting tussle with a wildcat and after waging war for about 15 minutes finally succeeded in dispatching the animal.

Pratt, Read & Company were soon to enlarge their machine shop with a one and a half story fireproof addition of brick and steel, the dimensions of which were 30x40 feet.

With brief and impressive ceremonies the cornerstone of the new Congregational chapel in Deep River were laid in the presence of a large number of persons. The order of exercises were in charge of Edward T. Marr.

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Nantucket Island, Mass.

by Amanda Macy Gelpke

300th Birthday—1659-1959

"30 pounds and 2 beaver hats"

Part 3

The deed of July 2, 1659 sold Nantucket to "Nine Purchasers . . .Recorded for Mr. Coffin and Mr. Macy. . .Be is known unto all men by these Presents that I, Thomas Mayhew of Martha's Vineyard, Merchant, doe hereby acknowledge that I have sould unto Tristram Coffin, Thomas Macy, Christopher Hussey, Richard Swayne, Thomas Bernard, Peter Coffin, Stephen Greenleafe, John Swayne and William Pike that Right and Interest I have in ye Land of Nantuckett by Patent. . .in consideration of ye Sume of Thirty Pounds of Current Pay. . .and also two Beaver Hatts one for myself and one for my wife. . .and I, Thomas Mayhew am to hold one twentieth Part of all Lands purchased upon ye said Island.

"Briefly: It is thus: That I really sold all my Patent to ye aforesaid nine men and they are to pay mee or whomsoever I shall appoint them, ye sume of Thirty Pounds in good Marchantable Pay in ye Massachusetts, under wich Government they now Inhabit, and 2 Beaver Hatts. . ."

Titles to lands based on the royal grants had to be legalized by the Indian sachems' releasing their rights to such lands. This was done in due course, and confirmed by 1667.

With the pound's being worth $5 the $150 for the Island (and two beaver hats), Nantucket, like the island of Manhattan was to prove a good investment in the future of the New World.

The nine purchasers were men who, when about thirty years old, some with families, had come to the Massachusetts shore area from costal England, to found plantations in the New World.

They had set up houses and tilled land in the area north of Boston, Cape Ann and Gloucester in towns which they named for their original English homes, ...Salisbury, Newbury, Amesbury, Dover (N. H.)—all of which were along the seacoast and adjacent to the navigable Merrimac River affording these seafarers good communication and transportation.

They for some twenty years had become established in property and offices in their communities before this new venture seized their imagination and interest.

Tristram Coffin organized the Company for the purchase of the Island. He would leave his great house built in Newbury in 1651, now an historical site, still standing.

Thomas Macy, first town clerk of Amesbury, would leave his 1000 acres and 2 story salt-box house, (Still standing in Amesbury "The Macy-Colby house).

A great adventure, indeed, to draw 50 year old, well established men to new fields far at sea.

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Robert Caldwell and Marie Cloud, of Newsome & Company, Inc., are shown with Mr. Roland Joy, of the Institution for Savings, Berkeley Street, Boston. Mr. Joy has offered to set up a display of Nantucket arts and crafts which will be seen by an estimated 10,000 persons per day. The display will begin on May 18 and continue for three weeks.

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300th Birthday This Summer For Nantucket

Grey-shingled and cobblestoned Nantucket Island is having a summer-long birthday party — her 300th.

The actual birthday is July 2, when it was bought, in 1641, by Thomas Mayhew. He sold it in 1659 for "30 pounds of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife."

The buyers were 11 men from Massachusetts who established the whaling industry. Today, one of the most interesting tourist sites is the Island's old Whaling Museum.

The year-round population of 3,400 is expected to be swelled to more than 22,000, with many events being scheduled including a concert by members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and Olympic trials of the Flying Dutchman Class of sailboats.

Nantucket men are growing beards and the ladies are unpacking from family trunks.

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Maria Mitchell and Her Island

By Elizabeth Fraser Torjesen

Author of the book about Nantucket, "Captain Ramsay's Daughter"

As Nantucket Island celebrates its 300th birthday this year, one of the most visited places will be a small weathered gray house on Vestal Street, built in the simple dignified fashion of the Quakers, for here lived Maria Mitchell, the girl who became America's first woman astronomer.

Maria early took an interest in her father's hobby—astronomy. When, with excitement running deep in his gentle voice, he told of a forthcoming annular eclipse of the sun, she watched, and wondered and questioned as he checked his calculations of the time at which it would occur. Although Maria was only twelve years old she was able to assist him in a small way, awakening in awe to the splendid orderliness of a universe where such happenings could be foretold with complete accuracy.

Maria was born on Aug. 1, 1818, the third child of William and Lydia Coleman Mitchell. As the family grew, every child (there were ten) early learned to lend a hand. Usually Maria was the first down to the cold kitchen. When the family gathered at the long wooden table a cheerful fire sparkled on the hearth in a room fragrant with the smell of her freshly baked graham bread.

During Maria's girlhood, Nantucket was the greatest whaleport in the world. In this seafaring town on an island thirty miles out to sea, a telescope was a household necessity used by Nantucketers on the white-railed "walks" atop their roofs to scan the horizon for homecoming ships that had roamed the Pacific in search of the sperm whale. No one knew when the whaleships would return; they stayed at sea until their holds were filled with oil. A dangerous and important business it was, for people everywhere depended on this oil to light their lamps, and Nantucket-made spermaceti candles were conceded to be the finest.

William Mitchell and Maria used their walk as an observatory, setting up a little brass telescope to watch the stars.

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Maria was educated principally in her father's school. Her parents, members of the Quaker faith, endorsed the long-held position of the Friends that equal education [illegible] studied. It was he, afterward principal of the first normal school in the United States, who discovered Maria's remarkable talent for mathematics.

Then Maria decided to open a school of her own on Trader's Lane. She advertised that she would teach Reading, Spelling, Geography, Grammar, History, Natural Philosophy, Arithmetic, Geometry, and Algebra—no small feat when most girls were fortunate to learn to read and write.

About two years later a committee arrived at the Mitchell's and in the rose-papered sitting room, warm with neighborly friendliness, offered Maria the position of librarian at the Nantucket Atheneum, a post she held for twenty-five years. Here the dark-eyed young woman in Quaker gray sat at a desk where a whale-oil lamp shed a circle of light on the books she discussed and helped girls and boys to choose.

Since most boys lived for the day when they could go to sea on the whalers, Miss Mitchell taught them how seamen navigate by the stars. It behooved them to pay close attention; their very lives might well depend on what they remembered of her teaching, for in those days seamen had only the stars to guide them as they roamed uncharted seas.

Many a boy stopped by to tell Maria Mitchell of his voyages. Places like Ulithi, Guam, Tinian, Saipan, Oahu were familiar, and far better known than the Ohio country over on the continent which was being settled by folks who chose to make their home far from the sea.

At the library Maria sometimes found precious time to study. Her sister Phebe tells us that at that time there was no school in the world where Maria could study higher mathematics and astronomy. Harvard had no better telescope than the one their father was using.

On Oct. 1, 1847, although there were guests present, Maria excused herself, picked up a lantern and climbed to the rooftop to make her usual observations, returning shortly with the startling news that she had seen a comet.

The comet was seen elsewhere in the world by Father da Vico at Rome, but not until October third.

For this discovery, Maria Mitchell of Nantucket received a gold medal which had been offered by the King of Denmark to the first discoverer of a telescopic comet. Following this, she was unanimously elected to membership by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the first woman ever admitted.

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While the whaling industry made Nantucket one of the wealthiest towns in Massachusetts, the finest speakers came to the island to lecture, among them Ralph Waldo Emerson. Maria commented: "Last night I heard Emerson give a lecture. I pity the reporter who attempts to give it to the world . . . it was without method, or order or system. It was like a beam of light . . . meeting with occasional meteors in its path; it was exceedingly captivating. It surprised me that there was not only no commonplace thought, but there was no commonplace expression."

After Maria's discovery, interest in the "lady astronomer" deepened. She traveled through the South, then through Europe, noting among other things how much freedom the women of Nantucket enjoyed. [illegible] independent and self-[illegible] of those treats . . . which seemed to put them in touch with the great outside world. Letters from astronomers in Europe or America or from members of their families . . . gave her listeners a wider outlook and new interests."

Always interested in the higher education of women, Professor Mitchell was President of the American Association for the Advancement of Women.

Of her method of teaching, Mary W. Whitney, her pupil and successor at Vassar, noted:

"As a teacher, Miss Mitchell's gift was that of stimulus, not that of drill. She could not drill; she would not drive. But no honest student could escape the pressure of her strong will and earnest intent."

In final tribute to this remarkable woman, Dr. Taylor, president of Vassar said, "If I were to select for comment the one most striking trait of her character, I should name her genuineness. There was no false note in Maria Mitchell's thinking or utterance. . . . She has been an impressive figure in our time and one whose influence lives."

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Program for 300th Lasts All Summer

Nantucket will celebrate its 300th birthday with a score of events beginning in mid-May and extending into September.

The actual anniversary date is July 2 when the governors of the New England states and Gov. Rockefeller of New York will take part in the program.

The full schedule of events follows:

FAMILY REUNIONS of descendants of Nantucket's founding families: MACY, June 20-21; GARDNER, July 2; COFFIN, July 7-9; SWAIN, Sept. 4-6; HUSSEY, Sept. 12-13.

BOSTON SYMPHONY CONCERT, June 21. First time members of the Boston Symphony will have ever performed on Nantucket.

ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITS in Boston, N.Y., Washington, Philadelphia, showing how Nantucketers keep the native crafts alive.

NANTUCKET DAY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, with one history lesson being devoted to Nantucket's impact on United States history. Massachusetts public school system. May 22.

PHOTO COMPETITION, May 15-Nov. 18, with prizes for the best photos taken on Nantucket during this time.

CONCERTS BY NANTUCKET COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA, June 12, July 30.

NANTUCKET'S ENDLESS BIRTHDAY CAKE. Beginning June 20 every visitor to the Island will receive a piece of birthday cake.

DAILY GUIDED TOURS. Walking tours conducted by Girl Scouts around historic spots. Scouts are learning detailed history as special project through winter and spring.

SHEEP SHEARING FESTIVAL, June 22. Revival of old-fashioned custom, with bazaars, candy and cake sales and sports trials of old-fashioned three-legged races, etc.

THE BIG DAY—JULY 2. This is Nantucket's actual birthday. Governors of six N.E. states, plus Governor Rockefeller of New York. Many famous personalities who have Nantucket in their background will gather on the island that day. Concerts, street dancing, etc.

HISTORIC PARADES, July 4 and Sept. 12. Historic fleets.

CELEBRITY CONCERTS, July 6, 27, Aug. 3, 31, Sept. 6. Famous musicians who perform at Castle Hill, Ipswich, Mass. coming to perform, on the following Monday after their weekend concerts, at Nantucket.

SQUARE DANCES, July 7, 21, Aug. 4, 25.

VETERAN MOTOR CAR CLUB meets at Nantucket July 11-12. First time this group attempts sea voyage to parade ancient cars.

OPEN HOUSES by D.A.R. Historic homes open to public July 14.

WHALING SEMINARS, July 15-17, Aug. 12-14. Famous authorities on whaling come to Nantucket.

CONCERT, 567th AIR FORCE BAND, July 22.

SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA, July 25, 26. Concours d'elegance. (Beauty contest for cars.)

FIREMEN'S MUSTER, Aug. 5-6. Old time custom revived. Nantucket team competes with off-island teams.

NAVY RECOGNITION OF NANTUCKET IN AMERICAN HISTORY, Aug. 7-9. Destroyer U.S.S. Miller visits Nantucket. Dedication of plaque to William Mooers, captain of the "Bedford"—first ship to fly American flag in English port.

MAIN STREET FETE, Aug. 11. Revival of colorful old custom. Historic houses on Main Street open to public. Most island residents in costumes of 1800's. Bazaars, auctions, quilting bees.

FLYING DUTCHMAN OLYMPIC SAILING TRIALS, Aug. 20-22.

CIVIL AIR PATROL, Sept. 12-13. 100 CAP planes rendezvous on mainland and fly in formation to Nantucket.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES HONORS MARIA MITCHELL, Sept. 14-16. Famous woman astronomer, discoverer of many comets, honored by Academy.

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By JOHN FENTON

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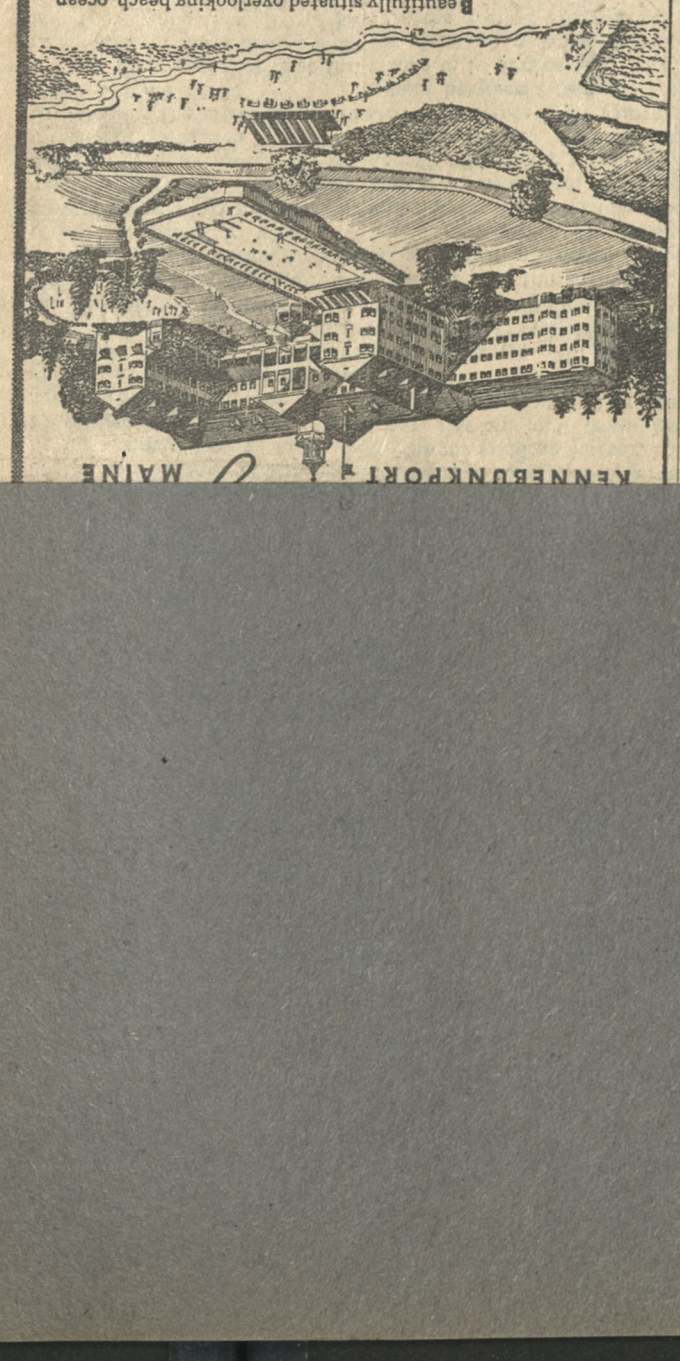
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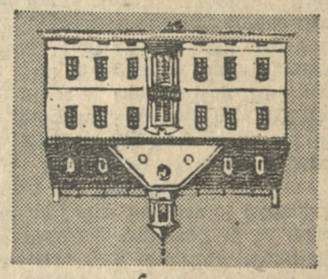
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But it is also true that most vacationists coming to New England are attracted more by the peace and quiet of ocean bathing, mountain scenery or rolling meadowland.

And as further evidence of this type of vacationing, both Maine and New Hampshire are providing more space for families who like to camp out in the woods.

As befits an older section of the country, New England usually manages to have a few anniversaries to celebrate during the summer season. This is not always contrived, for even the pioneers waited out New England winters before undertaking their major endeavors.

This summer, historic events will be celebrated at opposite corners of the region. The older will be the 350th anniversary of the discovery of Lake Champlain in Vermont. At Burlington, July 4 and 5, various events will re-enact the discovery by explorers and their Indian guides. This is a year-long celebration in the state.

Nantucket Anniversary

At the southeast corner, Nantucket Island will observe the 300th anniversary of its sale by missionary Thomas Mayhew to eleven men from the Massachusetts mainland for thirty pounds of current money and two beaver hats. Nantucket will continue its observance throughout the summer.

The entire historic region, as a latter-day concession to motoring, is bristling with new motels along the boundaries of express highways. These highways offer quick access to the interior of the region in addition to speeding the travelers on to points further afield.

With the completion last fall of the Byram River bridge linking the Connecticut Turnpike with the section of the New York Thruway that proceeds directly west at the end of Bruckner Boulevard in the Bronx, motorists from New York will have an easier time. There still are some minor delays on the West Side, but even so, it will be a definite improvement over the situation in 1958 when the alternative was winding up the Hutchinson River Parkway and then threading through Greenwich before finding an access point to the Connecticut Turnpike.

North of Connecticut, the Massachusetts and Maine Turnpikes and the Everett and Spaulding Turnpikes in New Hampshire are time-saving routes to the quieter areas for which the region is noted. Vermont also has plans on the drawing board for a future expressway up through its Green Mountains.

In addition, most of the major domestic airlines serve the region. Most flights end at Boston, but a few airlines run direct flights from New York into the heart of the vacation area.

Railroad schedules are subject to some last-minute changes. The Boston and Maine and Maine Central Railroads, however, have promised service to Bangor and Bar Harbor, both from Boston and from New York, for the season. The sleeper service to Montreal via White River Junction, Vt., has been restored after a previously announced cancellation.

Once inside the region, there is a choice of ocean, lakes, ponds and rivers for bathers and fishermen. There are sandy and rocky seashore, mountains and woodlands for the sunbathers and hikers. And one can still find places with hammock swung between two apple trees where it is unnecessary to stir for days at a time. Summer theatres abound everywhere.

Small but Varied

The restless vacationist should always remember that he can touch all six states in a single day, if necessary. But small as the region seems to be, each of the states has an individual flavor. There are Connecticut's woods and rolling hills, set back from the Long Island Sound coastline. Rhode Island has its seacoast and ocean bays. Here in Massachusetts, there are the Berkshire Hills and sandy Cape Cod.

New Hampshire has the dramatic White Mountains and Lake Winnipesaukee, with thirty miles of watery expanse, interspersed with 274 habitable islands.

Although perhaps best known for its rock-bound coast, Maine's Mount Katahdin region embraces a mountain wilderness that is almost primeval. Vermont, with its Green Mountains, has 400 lakes, hidden around the bends of almost every highway.

Connecticut is generally considered more or less a commuter's paradise for New Yorkers. But far out beyond Fairfield County are hundreds of little towns with white houses, and churches with elms and red barns, where the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad does not reach.

Lively State

In many ways, Connecticut is the liveliest of the New England states. Peaceful as the countryside may be, military aircraft, atomic submarines and Remington, Winchester and Colt firearms are manufactured in Connecticut. Yet, at Mystic, a sailing museum takes the tourist back into the dim past. This year, the coastline along the Sound is expected to be busier than ever because of extensions to the turnpike.

Rhode Island, from a vacation standpoint, is noted for Newport, once the watering place of the wealthy. But taxes and hurricanes have changed all that. There still are some impressive summer homes along Narragansett Bay, but thousands instead of hundreds enjoy the state's hospitality these days.

Deep-sea fishing, yachting and ocean bathing are attractions for the vacationist in the tiniest state in the union. For the historically minded, Rhode Island abounds in shrines and other memorials of the American past.



The New York Times

FRESH-WATER SPORTS—Boat landing on Mascoma Lake at Enfield, N. H.

John T. Burke, Massachusetts' Commissioner of Commerce, reports that there has been a phenomenal increase in the number of luxury motels in the state. In addition to those on Cape Cod, along State Route 128 and near the Lexington Battle Green, others are being planned for the downtown areas of several cities. In Boston, a huge new parking area has been opened on part of the Boston and Maine Railroad property for a motel-hotel type of operation this summer.

In addition, for the yachtsmen, Boston will have a new marina with slip accommodations for 200 craft at the site of the former Squantum Naval Air Station, in neighboring Quincy.

A new multi-million dollar family recreation spot, Pleasure Island, will open in Wakefield, off State Route 128, in time for the tourist season. This will be a Disneyland-type of amusement spot.

Families scouting school and college facilities, or working in some history with their vacations, will find such institutions as Harvard, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Tufts, Brandeis, Simmons, Wellesley, Boston College and Boston University all within easy driving distance of Boston.

Historic Boston

Within Boston itself there is a walking tour, known as the "Freedom Trail" that will lead the historically minded to famous spots within a mile or two of the Massachusetts State House. Only a few miles from the city are Lexington, Concord, Salem, Marblehead and Gloucester.

To many, Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont combine as a region of their own—a New England that has changed very little as the industrial age swept mostly to the south of it and on into the West. While each of the three states has some industrial activity, particularly along the rivers, all offer more rural solitude for vacationists who want to forget for a few weeks the experimental hardware now whirling in outer space.

Maine has always been a family vacation state and summer homes all along the coast attest to this. Families continue to return every year for several generations, with the property being handed down from father to son or daughter.

Although world-famous for its lobster, Maine also does a land office business in broiler chickens. An annual broiler festival at Belfast is scheduled for July 11 this year. Later in the month, the Maine Seafood Festival will be held at Rockland.

Bangor, the last jumping-off place before the deep woods of northern Maine, is observing its 125th anniversary this year. And of interest to tourists up that way on July 4 is an international championship cook-out. Contestants must prepare a four-course dinner for four over an open fire. This harks to the days when Bangor was the supply depot for the woods crews. To some extent, it still is, but nowadays, airplanes can take supplies into the wilderness much faster.

New Hampshire does one of the best jobs of promoting its attractions. Its seacoast, only eighteen miles long, has excellent beaches and the scenery changes with almost every turn of the road from there up into Coos (pronounced Co-us) County in the White Mountains.

In the last two years, the hobby of mineral-collecting has been growing and New Hampshire's mountains have an abundance of minerals. In a few areas it is even possible to pan gold out of the streams.

The Face

Two of the old stand-bys in New Hampshire are the Great Stone Face at Franconia Notch—repaired since last year to save the profile from splitting—and the Cog Railway up Mount Washington. Perhaps a third trade mark should be added—Winnipesaukee and its five cruise ships that ply the lake daily through the vacation season.

But there are hundreds of other lakes in New Hampshire and each one has its boosters. These and many rivers and streams furnish fishing as well as boating and bathing.

Most of the ski areas in the upper three states keep their larger lifts operating in the summer for sight-seeing tourists. One of the best known is the Skimobile at North Conway. There is also a special thrill to be gained from riding the tramway at Cannon Mountain.

Prices, throughout New England generally, will be about the same this year, which means that one can find rooms as low as $2.50 a night, and by judicious budgeting and picnicking from one's car, the cost can be held to $10 a day or so. Many families plan on spending from $60 weekly and up, American plan, at small hotels and boarding places.

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Nantucket Lists Birthday Slate

Program for 300th Lasts All Summer

Nantucket will celebrate its 300th birthday with a score of events beginning in mid-May and extending into September.

The actual anniversary date is July 2 when the governors of the New England states and Gov. Rockefeller of New York will take part in the program.

The full schedule of events follows:

FAMILY REUNIONS of descendants of Nantucket's founding families: MACY, June 20-21; GARDNER, July 2; COFFIN, July 7-9; SWAIN, Sept. 4-6; HUSSEY, Sept. 12-13.

BOSTON SYMPHONY CONCERT, June 21. First time members of the Boston Symphony will have ever performed on Nantucket.

ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITS in Boston, N.Y., Washington, Philadelphia, showing how Nantucketers keep the native crafts alive.

NANTUCKET DAY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, with one history lesson being devoted to Nantucket's impact on United States history. Massachusetts public school system. May 22.

PHOTO COMPETITION, May 15-Nov. 18, with prizes for the best photos taken on Nantucket during this time.

CONCERTS BY NANTUCKET COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA, June 12, July 30.

NANTUCKET'S ENDLESS BIRTHDAY CAKE. Beginning June 20 every visitor to the Island will receive a piece of birthday cake.

DAILY GUIDED TOURS. Walking tours conducted by Girl Scouts around historic spots. Scouts are learning detailed history as special project through winter and spring.

SHEEP SHEARING FESTIVAL, June 22. Revival of old-fashioned custom, with bazaars, candy and cake sales and sports trials of old-fashioned three-legged races, etc.

THE BIG DAY—JULY 2. This is Nantucket's actual birthday. Governors of six N.E. states, plus Governor Rockefeller of New York. Many famous personalities who have Nantucket in their background will gather on the island that day. Concerts, street dancing, etc.

HISTORIC PARADES, July 4 and Sept. 12. Historic floats.

CELEBRITY CONCERTS, July 6, 27, Aug. 3, 31, Sept. 6. Famous musicians who perform at Castle Hill, Ipswich, Mass. coming to perform, on the following Monday after their weekend concerts, at Nantucket.

SQUARE DANCES, July 7, 21, Aug. 4, 25.

VETERAN MOTOR CAR CLUB meets at Nantucket July 11-12. First time this group attempts sea voyage to parade ancient cars.

OPEN HOUSES by D.A.R. Historic homes open to public July 14.

WHALING SEMINARS, July 15-17, Aug. 12-14. Famous authorities on whaling come to Nantucket.

CONCERT, 567th AIR FORCE BAND, July 22.

SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA, July 25, 26. Concours d'elegance. (Beauty contest for cars.)

FIREMEN'S MUSTER, Aug. 5-6. Old time custom revived. Nantucket team competes with off-island teams.

NAVY RECOGNITION OF NANTUCKET IN AMERICAN HISTORY, Aug. 7-9. Destroyer U.S.S. Miller visits Nantucket. Dedication of plaque to William Mooers, captain of the "Bedford"—first ship to fly American flag in English port.

MAIN STREET FETE, Aug. 11. Revival of colorful old custom. Historic houses on Main Street open to public. Most island residents in costumes of 1800's. Bazaars, auctions, quilting bees.

FLYING DUTCHMAN OLYMPIC SAILING TRIALS, Aug. 20-22.

CIVIL AIR PATROL, Sept. 12-13. 100 CAP planes rendezvous on mainland and fly in formation to Nantucket.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES HONORS MARIA MITCHELL, Sept. 14-16. Famous woman astronomer, discoverer of many comets, honored by Academy.

Bay State Has Its Day At Brussels World Fair

BRUSSELS, May 14 (AP)—It was State Day for Massachusetts at the Brussels World Fair today, and all Belgium got a view of the state.

Mrs. Ruth Ley, a Belmont mother of two, went on TV presenting a film of Massachusetts personalities and another on "Nantucket, The Whalers' Island."

"I am glad I had this wonderful opportunity to introduce my state to the country at large, thanks to the cooperation of Belgian TV," she said. "It makes my trip here very much worthwhile."

Mrs. Ley brought with her a series of color films of Massachusetts she had taken herself.

The day was given special attention since two assistant general commissioners of the U. S. Pavilion, Mrs. Katherine Howard, and James S. Plaut, are both from Massachusetts.

Mrs. Howard read the proclamation from Gov. Foster Furcolo. Plaut recalled the contributions Massachusetts institutions made to U. S. participation in the fair.

State Guides Presented

Plaut introduced the state's guides at the fair. They are Carolyn H. Rees, Newton Highlands; Yvett R. Poirer, Indian Orchards; Henry Hammand, Cambridge; Mary Halloran, Swampscott; Christina Firchow, Cambridge; Frederick Dupre, Worcester; Deborah Parkman, Boston; Madelin May, now living in Vermont; Charles E. McLaughlin, Reading; Karem Lovette Jense, Boston; Abigail Barksdale, Homer Sherborn and Ourania Hemis, Needham; Beverly E. Franks, now living in New York, and Marion A. Bigelow from West Newton.

Plaut said the Massachusetts Museum of Modern Art helped assemble items for the Pavilion's "Island For Living" section, and mentioned the assistance of the Boston Museum of Science and the Institute of Technology.

Prince Visits Exhibit

Mrs. Ley presented one of her films on the Pavilion's color TV closed circuit. The movie showed such Massachusetts leaders as conductor Arthur Fiedler and Dr. James R. Killian, special science assistant to President Eisenhower.

During her early color TV program, Mrs. Ley had an unexpected visitor, young Prince Alexandre, son of ex-King Leopold and brother of King Baudouin. He and his classmates visited the United States exhibit.

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300th Birthday To Be Observed In Nantucket

Nantucket, Mass.—The famous brigantine "Yankee" will become one of the leading attractions at its new home port, Nantucket, this summer when the island observes its 300th birthday. Announcement was made today by Captain Reed Whitney of the intention of the "Yankee" to sail in Nantucket waters during the celebration.

Originally scheduled to sail up the new St. Lawrence Seaway, the square-rigged vessel's new owners, New England Vendaway Corporation stated that "Nantucket's 300th birthday deserves special recognition from the Yankee and we will be on hand for official events."

Girl Scout Mariners will be on board the "Yankee" this summer enrolled as students in four-day summer sessions of the Yankee Sea School of Nantucket.

On a recent round-the-world voyage with student Mariners as crew, they salvaged the anchor from the Bounty anchored off Pitcairn Island.

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Grangers Enjoy Trip To Islands

A large group of members of Pomona Grange, along with members from Dedham, Franklin, Plainville, Norwood, and Walpole Granges, enjoyed a recent three-ay weekend trip to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Island.

The parties motored to Woods Hole, went by boat to Martha's Vineyard, and spent the night at the Mansion House. On Saturday morning the group left for Nantucket and spent Saturday night and Sunday there. The group attended the Fifth Degree ceremony of Nantucket Grange, and enjoyed a sight-seeing trip around the island.

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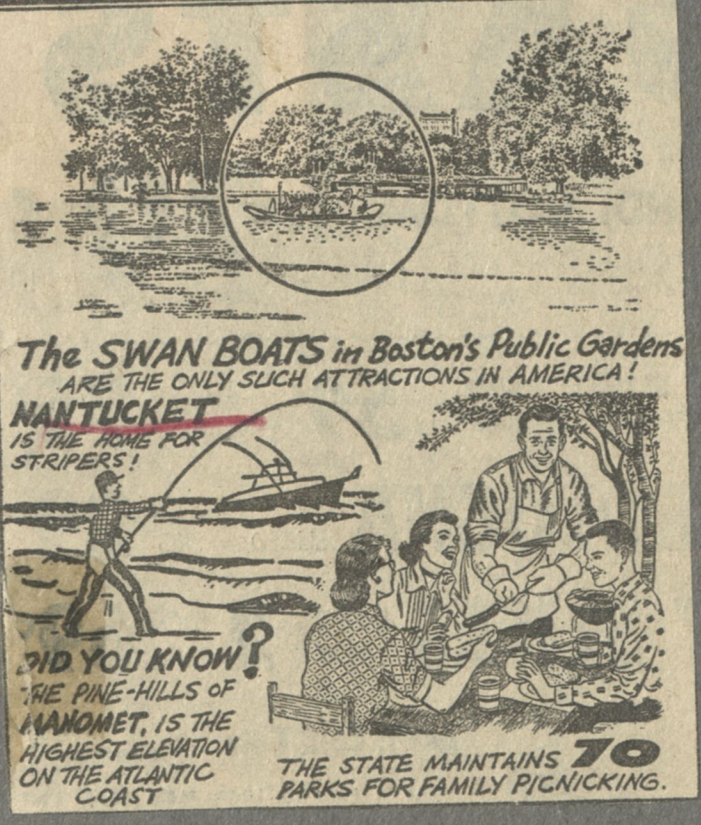
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Schedule of Events

The 300th Birthday Committee has worked long and intently to develop the season's schedule of events in its present form. The representative committee, appointed by community organizations to represent them, has done a good job. They have been ably assisted and, in some cases guided, by Paul Newsome & Company.

Any committee is composed of individuals who, singly and collectively, are not omnipotent and they can and do make mistakes, wrong decisions, and errors of judgment. However, merely because you might disagree with the value of any one particular event to the over-all celebration does not of necessity mean that they are wrong.

Each of us has his own idea of what is best and what is second-rate. Sometimes we are right, sometimes wrong. But, at this late date, none of us has any moral right to single out individual events on the schedule for attack. The time for expressing opposition is long since past. At this late date we must all subjugate our personal preferences and back the existing schedule of events to the limit of our capabilities. Only then will we have the best possible observance of our 300th Birthday.

Thus far, cooperation has been excellent, and individuals outside of the committee have shown fine initiative in going beyond suggestions and coming up with ideas of their own which will undoubtedly add much to the over-all atmosphere of the coming season.

The ladies of the community are progressing rapidly in designing and sewing the costumes they will be wearing, and more and more beards are showing up among the men as the days go by.

All indications point toward a most interesting and dignified observance of our 300th birthday, with none of the flamboyant or carnival atmosphere which could very well have developed.

One lack which is evident at this time is that of a town crier. The committee has discussed this possibility many times but, thus far, no decision has been reached. The proper personality volunteering to fill this position, without remuneration, would be the ideal solution to the problem. However, if that is not forthcoming, we feel sure that a way will be found to furnish Nantucket with this very important adjunct to the season-long celebration.

The many subcommittees, working on the varied projects, are laboring quietly and efficiently to present the individual events in the best possible manner. Such affairs as the Main Street Fete, the series of square dances, the concert series — by the community orchestra and the off-island artists — are being set up and details worked out so that everything will take place in a most efficient manner.

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Family Parties

Among the larger parties will be the Macys, Gardners, Coffins, Swains, and Husseys. Smaller gatherings of Folgers, Barnards, Bunkers, Colemans, Starbucks, Worths, and Mayhews will also convene.

In addition to the local celebrations, other communities on the mainland will honor the Nantucketers.

May 22 has been declared Nantucket Day in public schools throughout the Bay State, with one history lesson devoted to study of the island.

Exhibitions also are scheduled for Boston, New York, Washington, and Philadelphia.

Nantucket Events:

May 15-Nov. 18, Photo competition with prizes for the best colored and black-and-white photos taken on Nantucket during this time. Prospective contestants may contact the 300th Birthday Committee, Nantucket, Mass.
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June 22, Sheep Shearing Festival.
July 2, "The Big Day"—the 300th anniversary.
July 4, Historic parade.
July 6, Caribbean Ballet dancers.
July 7, Square Dance, Charles Stackpole caller.
July 11-12, Veteran Motor Car Club visit.
July 14, Daughters of the American Revolution will open some of their homes.
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July 22, 567th United States Air Force Band of Boston concert.
July 27, Odetta, folk singer, concert.
July 30, Nantucket Community Concert.
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Sept. 7, Concert, Geoffrey Holder, dancer Rawn Spearman, singer.
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Sept. 14-16, American Academy of Arts and Sciences to honor Maria Mitchell, famous 19th century woman astronomer from Nantucket.

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Beginning June 20, every island visitor will receive a piece of birthday cake, and local troops of Girl Scouts of America will be on hand to conduct informative walking tours.

Throughout the summer thousands of descendants of the 12 original owners will visit Nantucket from throughout the world—to meet their "cousins" and tour their ancestral homes. Members of the families who still live on the island will be hosts.

In addition to the local celebrations, other communities on the mainland will honor the Nantucketers.

May 22 has been declared Nantucket Day in public schools throughout the Bay State, with one history lesson devoted to study of the island.

Exhibitions also are scheduled for Boston, New York, Washington, and Philadelphia.

Nantucket Events:

May 15-Nov. 18. Photo competition with prizes for the best colored and black-and-white photos taken on Nantucket during this time. Prospective contestants may contact the 300th Birthday Committee, Nantucket, Mass.
June 12. Nantucket Community Orchestra, Miss Estelle O'Grady, conductor.
June 22. Sheep Shearing Festival.
July 2. "The Big Day"—the 300th anniversary.
July 4. Historic parade.
July 6. Caribbean Ballet dancers.
July 7 Square Dance, Charles Stackpole caller.
July 11-12. Veteran Motor Car Club visit.
July 14. Daughters of the American Revolution will open some of their homes.
July 15-17. Whaling seminars.
July 21. Square Dance.
July 22. 567th United States Air Force Band of Boston concert.
July 27. Odetta, folk singer, concert.
July 30. Nantucket Community Concert.
Aug. 3. Claremont Quartet, chamber music concert.
Aug. 4. Square Dance.
Aug. 5-6. Firemen's Muster: Nantucket team will compete with off-islanders to see who can spray water the farthest using hand-pumping equipment.
Aug. 7-9. Destroyer USS Miller to visit Nantucket. Dedication of plaque to Willaim Mooers captain of the Bedford, first ship to fly American flag in English port.
Aug. 11. Main Street Fete.
Aug. 12-14. Whaling seminars.
Aug. 20-22. Flying Dutchman Olympic sailing trials.
Aug. 25. Square Dance.
Aug. 31. Leonard Rose, cello concert.
Sept. 7. Concert, Geoffrey Holder, dancer Rawn Spearman, singer.
Sept. 12. Historic parade.
Sept. 12-13. 100 Civil Air Patrol planes will fly in formation to a Nantucket clambake.
Sept. 14-16. American Academy of Arts and Sciences to honor Maria Mitchell, famous 19th century woman astronomer from Nantucket.

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Nantucket All Set For Tercentennial

Normally Quiet Resort Island Will Be Kept Hopping This Year

By JO-ANN PRICE

An unusual confession—even for a travel folder—is contained in a pamphlet published by the public relations committee of the island of Nantucket. Life on the island, it says, is tranquil and sunny and nothing much happens there.

"Entertainment at Nantucket is pretty much along the quiet lines," it reads. "We don't have merry-go-rounds. We don't have ferris wheels. We don't even have neon signs. Frankly, we hope we never do. . . ."

This year, the island's 300th birthday, may prove the big exception to this peaceful picture of the "far-away island," as far as the tourist trade is concerned. All winter long, Nantucketers have been planning big noisy events for the influx of visitors who will round Brant Point and head for the town of Nantucket's friendly Steamboat Wharf.

'Endless Birthday Cake'

Starting June 20, each new arrival to this famed old whaling island will receive a slice of "Nantucket's Endless Birthday Cake." Many of the visitors, it is safe to say, will have the names of Macy, Gardner, Coffin, Swain and Hussey and will be there for family reunions with their namesakes and kin on the island.

The old-fashioned custom of a sheep-shearing festival will be revived June 22, featuring bazaars, candy and cake sales and sports trials. (What was all that about quiet Nantucket life?)

July 2 is the "Big Day," Nantucket's actual birthday. From near and far, hundreds of guests will celebrate the date, July 2, 1659, when Thomas Mayhew turned over the deed to the island to eleven settlers. What did they pay for it? Two beaver hats, one for Mrs. Mayhew and one for Thomas Mayhew, and "thirty pounds of current money."

Those invited for the July 2 festivities include the Governors of six New England states, Gov. Rockefeller of New York and Vice-President Richard M. Nixon. The local committee plans to treat its V. I. P. guests to a gigantic clambake and band concert and to house them with local families.

The schedule of events includes several celebrity concerts, square dances, parades of the Veteran Motor Car Club (July 11 and July 12), a concert July 22 by the 567th Air Force band and a fireman's muster on Aug. 5 and Aug. 6.

Whaling seminars in both July and August will bring to Nantucket some famed authorities on the subject. At present, the Whaling Museum, once an historic sperm-oil candle factory, is being enlarged to include a working model of a whaling ship.

The destroyer U. S. S. Miller will visit Nantucket Aug. 7, 8 and 9 for the dedication of a plaque to William Mooers, captain of the Bedford.

Nantucket's historic houses on Main Street, a number with widow's walks atop them for the wives of whaling ship seamen, will be open to the public Aug. 11. Most of the islanders plan to appear in costumes of the 1800s. Bazaars, auctions and quilting bees will be the order of the day.

Nantucket can be reached by car ferry from Woods Hole, Mass., two daily excursion boats from Hyannis, on Cape Cod and daily flights from Boston and New York on Northeast Airlines.

In addition to Harbor House, which has a private beach, and other fine hotels, the island has many guest houses. Rates in these average $21 a week for single rooms and $40 for double.

Further information is available from the Nantucket Chamber of Commerce or the Massachusetts Department of Commerce, Division All, 150 Causeway St., Boston.

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Nantucket Island, Mass.

by Amanda Macy Gelpke

300th Birthday—1659-1959
Part 4
"First Settlers"

The 9 purchases held several meetings at Salisbury, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in the 1658-59 period, planning ways to divide and settle Nantucket.

At a meeting February 2, 1659, the proprietors decided to take partners or associates on an equal share basis. Thus:
Tristram Coffin and Nathaniel Starbuck, son of Edward; Thomas Macy and Edward Starbuck; Christopher Hussey and Robert Pike; Richard Swayne and Thomas Look; Thomas Barnard and Robert Barnard, his brother; Peter Coffin and James Coffin, his brother; Stephen Greenleaf and Tristram Coffin, Jr.; John Swayne and Thomas Coleman, father of 12 year old Isaac; Thomas Mayhew, Sr., and Thomas Mayhew, Jr., and John Smith; William Pile.

This meant that at an early date there were 20 proprietors though some of them never settled on the Island: Christopher Hussey, Robert Pike, Tristram Coffin, Jr., and Thomas Barnard.

In the spring of 1659 Tristram Coffin went from Salisbury on an exploratory voyage to Martha's Vineyard where "he secured Peter Folger, the grandfather of Benjamin Franklin, as an interpreter of the Indian language; and then to Nantucket—to ascertain the temper of the Indians—so that he might report to the citizens of Salisbury what inducements for emigration—were offered". (Godfrey, Island of Nantucket, p. 169)

The settlement of Nantucket began in October or November 1659 when Thomas Macy, his wife and 5 children, together with Edward Starbuck, a widower, and Isaac Coleman, a 12 year old boy, set out from Salisbury "in an open boat". Some accounts say that James, the 19 year old son of Tristram Coffin was also aboard. This group crossed Boston Bay, sailed around Cape Cod (for there was then no short-cut Canal) and thence southward to Nantucket, arriving safely.

This approximately 200 mile voyage must have taken several days. Admitting that the waters of the whole region were most familiar to Macy, Starbuck and Coffin, it must have been difficult to navigate at night in an open boat unless there were a full moon to aid them.

It is interesting to speculate into which ports along the Southern New England coast they might have sailed to spend the night. Did they keep a log or diary of any such stop-overs? Are there any Colonial records which might mention the "visits" of this band of voyagers?

In July, 1660, Starbuck returned to Salisbury and Amesbury. He induced a number of families to accompany him back to Nantucket. As time went on the little colony received numerous additions.

The first settlement was at the northwest end of the Island near a small harbor now called Maddequet Harbor.

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Nantucket Island Celebrating 300th Anniversary

Natick residents visiting Nantucket this summer will find a unique birthday card to mail back home.

During the winter months the Nantucket residents took part in a contest seeking a design and verse which would become the official Nantucket 300th birthday greeting. The contest, sponsored by the 300th Birthday Committee in cooperation with Rust Craft Publishers of Dedham was won by a 26-year old housewife. Mrs. Sheila Jelleme, 20 Union St., Nantucket. took top honors over many professional artists.

Rust Craft will produce 10,000 cards and present them to Nantucket as a birthday present. The cards will be sold on the island, and Mrs. Jelleme's prize will be 25 per cent royalties on the card sales.

Sharing top honors is George Folger, Jr. a descendant of one of Nantucket's 11 original families, for his verse. Mr. Folger was also a resident of Framingham.

Mrs. Jelleme's water color symbolizes the whaling background in Nantucket history.

This year marks the 300th anniversary of the landing of the first white settlers on Nantucket. The occasion will be celebrated by a summer of special events on the island designed to recall the flavor of the whaling days.

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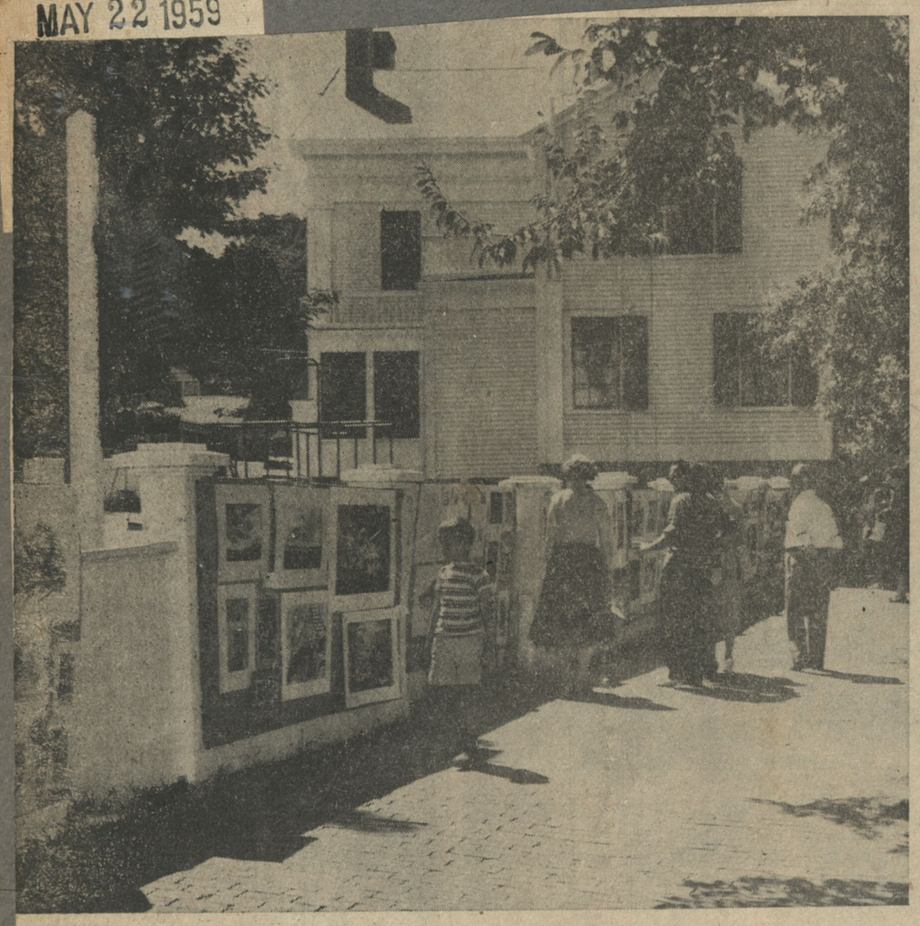
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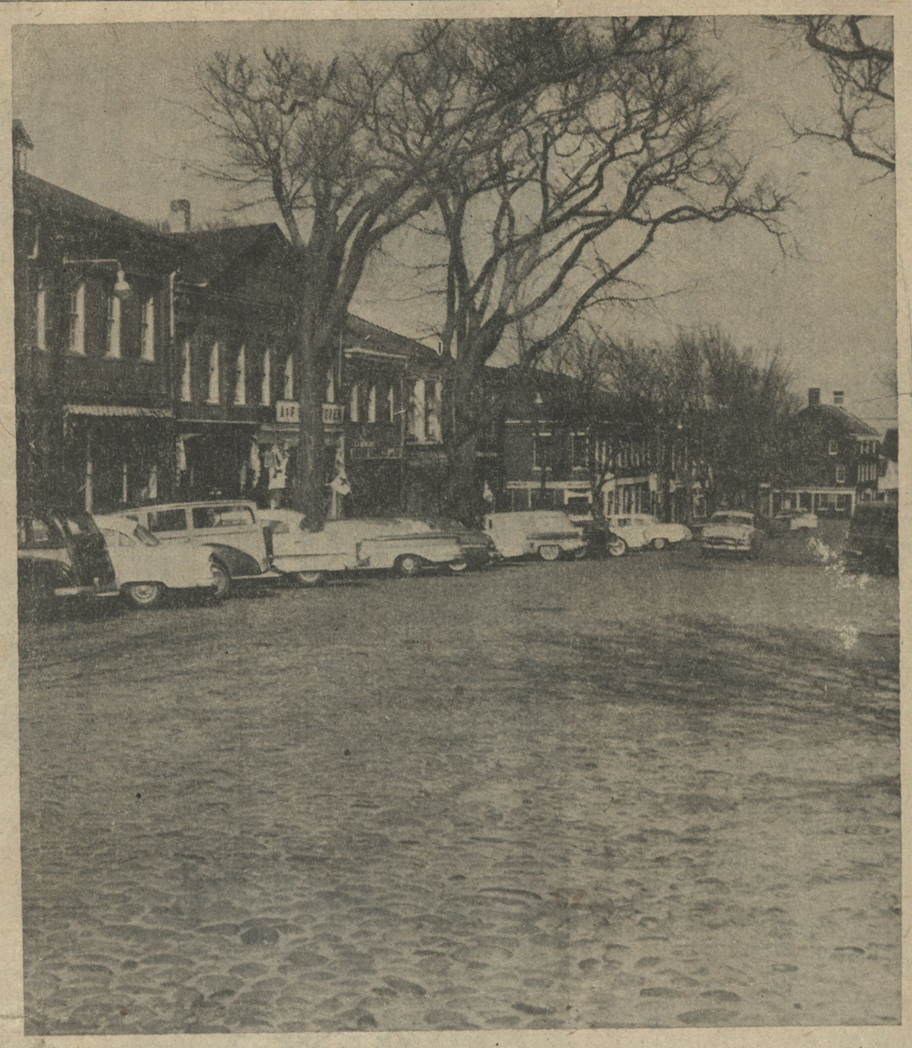
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Tercentennial Events Will Make It Active Summer For Island Visitors

FAMILY REUNIONS of descendants of Nantucket's founding families: MACY, June 20-21; GARDNER, July 2; COFFIN, July 7-9; SWAIN, Sept. 4-6; HUSSEY, Sept. 12-13.

BOSTON SYMPHONY CONCERT, June 21. First time members of the Boston Symphony will have ever performed on Nantucket.

ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITS in Boston, N. Y., Washington, Philadelphia, showing how Nantucketers keep the native crafts alive.

NANTUCKET DAY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, with one history lesson being devoted to Nantucket's impact on United States history. Massachusetts public school system. May 22.

PHOTO COMPETITION, May 15-Nov 18, with prizes for the best photos taken on Nantucket during this time.

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NANTUCKET'S ENDLESS BIRTHDAY CAKE. Beginning June 20 every visitor to the Island will receive a piece of birthday cake.

DAILY GUIDED TOURS. Walking tours conducted by Girl Scouts around historic spots. Scouts are learning detailed history as special project through winter and spring.

SHEEP SHEARING FESTIVAL, June 22. Revival of old-fashioned custom, with bazaars, candy and cake sales and sports trials of old-fashioned three-legged races, etc.

THE BIG DAY — JULY 2. This is Nantucket's actual birthday. Governors of six N. E. states, plus Governor Rockefeller of New York. Many famous personalities who have Nantucket in their background will gather on the island that day. Concerts, street dancing, etc.

HISTORIC PARADES, July 4 and Sept. 12. Historic floats.

CELEBRITY CONCERTS, July 6, 27, Aug. 3, 31, Sept. 6. Famous musicians who perform at Castle Hill, Ipswich, Mass. coming to perform, on the following Monday after their weekend concerts, at Nantucket.

SQUARE DANCES, July 7, 21, Aug. 4, 25.

VETERAN MOTOR CAR CLUB meets at Nantucket July 11-12. First time this group attempts sea voyage to parade ancient cars.

OPEN HOUSES by D.A.R. Historic homes open to public July 14.

WHALING SEMINARS, July 15-17, Aug. 12-14. Falmouth authorities on whaling come to Nantucket.

CONCERT, 567th AIR FORCE BAND, July 22.

SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA, July 25,26. Concours d'elegance. (Beauty contest for cars.)

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The Lovely Holiday Isles, South of Cape Cod

LEWIS A. CARTER

The crowd on the Islander, or any other ferry taking passengers from the Massachusetts mainland to Martha's Vineyard or Nantucket, is always festive. In Summer there is a liberal sprinkling of the nation's best specimens of youth aboard. Bermuda shorts, slacks, sun-bleached hair, tanned faces, and a general hubbub of chatter and laughter are everywhere.

Girls gaze soulfully to sea, doubtless thinking of 'an island romance ahead; and there are young men who appear to be preoccupied with similar day dreams. There are young children, babies, grandfathers and the Islanders themselves. There are camera fiends by the dozen. The visitor coming for the first time wil notice the same air about everyone crowding the rails, drinking beer or coffee in the lounge, or wandering aimlessly about—an air of excitement and anticipation of pleasure ahead.

As the Islander packs in the last car, unhooks the gang plank and pushes strongly out into the stream, the visitor will be infected by the same feelings. Ahead, over eight miles of blue ocean waters, lies a long gray outline of land — Martha's Vineyard. After a hot drive to Woods Hole, the fresh Atlantic breeze blows away the sweat and cares of the journey and the days behind. The island becomes larger. Gray changes to lush green and white sand bluffs, strips of beach and a white lighthouse materialize.

Around the bell buoy at Vineyard Haven's Harbor, the ship enters quiet waters between two long arms of land. The houses and cottages stand out boldly and fine green lawns run down to the water. Threading its passage through an armada of sloops, ketches, yawls, motor cruisers and small craft, the ferry lands at Vineyard Haven after a 40-minute voyage.

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Martha's Vineyard is an island about 15 miles by 25. The whole long stretch on the south side is primitive ocean beach from Edgartown on the east to Gay Head at its westernmost tip and is the longest dimension. At Vineyard Haven or Oak Bluffs the cars are unloaded and for visitors without automobiles, buses are available for tours of the island or bicycles may be rented. The land is mostly gently rolling or level so that cycling is an easy mode of transportation. A bicycle ride across the Vineyard is the best means of seeing and enjoying the open bluffs, the forested knolls and the neat farms in the interior.

The three principal towns are Vineyard Haven, Oak Bluffs and Edgartown. All provide fine sailing and swimming in clean, cool salt water. In Oak Bluffs is an amazing village of gingerbread houses, painted all the colors of the rainbow and of every conceivable type of architecture. This settlement dates back to the 19th century and has been the scene of religious camp meetings which still take place each Summer. The old houses of Vineyard Haven and Edgartown are beautifully kept up and the lawns which surround them seem as smooth as velvet. Between Oak Bluffs and Edgartown, facing the Atlantic on the east, is the State Beach, open to the public.

Lying a scant hundred feet away from Edgartown is the separate island of Chappaquiddick which circles the harbor. A diminutive ferry takes one car at a time across the narrow strip of water and runs continually. This Summer for the first time a new shore area on Chappaquiddick will be open to the public. This is a two mile barrier beach extending from Cape Poge Light in a curve toward Edgartown and is accessible by water. This area is preserved as a wild life sanctuary and swimming beach by the trustees of reservations.

Along the 25-mile southern perimeter of the island is South Beach, second only in all New England to Cape Cod's outer arm. There is surf along most of its length usually and it is a favorite spot for surf fishermen. Public access to South Beach his provided by the town of Edgartown and a parking area is close to it. This is a wonderful place for noon or evening picnics and when the surf is light the swimming in warm ocean waters is ideal. The inland side of the beach is cut by large ponds, Edgartown Great Pond and Tisbury Great Pond being the largest. Streams of fresh water have also fashioned many small inlets and waterways. In these blue crabs scuttle along the bottom with amazing speed to elude the nets of crabbers. The climax of South Beach is Gay Head, whose rose and tan chalky cliffs rise more than 150 feet above the ocean.

The famous Vineyard Fishing Derby brings many salt water anglers to the island each September. The Vineyard in early May or late Autumn is almost at its loveliest and the weather is often mild in these months. A large number of famous authors, artists, musicians and actors have year-round homes here and there is a good-sized colony of retired people.

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Almost 30 miles to the eastward lies the "far away Isle" of Nantucket, as it was known in the 17th century. From the Vineyard the boat trip is two hours. On this island the visitor will experience very vividly the feeling of being away from nearly everything related to ordinary life on the mainland. The sea stretches illimitably in all quarters; there are many bicycles in the streets and few cars; and the coble-stoned streets, shaded by ancient trees, lined with 200-year-old houses, complete the illusion of being in another land. During the 19th century Nantucket was a renowned whaling port and the many beautiful mansions were built by the Whaler kings. Stores and antique shops are filled with all kinds of curious objects carved from whalebone.

The island is approximately 15 miles long and 3½ wide. Bicycling is the most popular means of getting around and the state of Massachusetts is in the process of laying out bicycle pathways where there is no danger from cars and fine open views of land and sea.

Here, as on the Vineyard, sailing, golf, sunbathing and swimming are the stuff of every day life. Nantucket has one of the lowest ragweed pollen counts in the United States. The island, surrounded by ocean, and so reminiscent of another age has attracted retired business people, writers and artists as on the Vineyard.

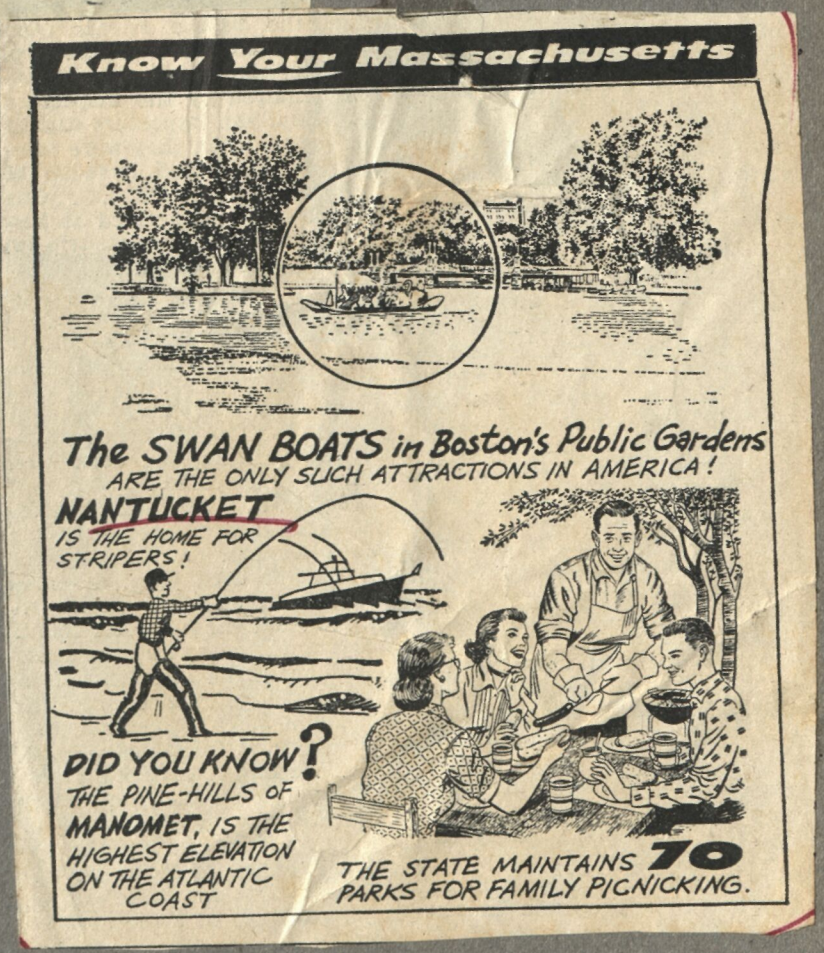
The islands lie south of Cape Cod and are accesible by air from New York and Boston, or by highway and ferry from New Bedford, Woods Hole and Hyannis. Arrangements to take cars may be made in New Bedford or Woods Hole at the offices of the New Bedford, Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamship Authority and it's a good idea to plan well in advance. Otherwise there is nothing to prevent anyone from visiting Martha's Vineyard or Nantucket. The Islander can absorb large numbers of passengers and makes extra trips in the Summer.

Next Sunday — Her Illustrious Ports.

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K. G. D. Says:

Cape Cod Newspaper Interesting

EACH YEAR we delight in reading the mail-away edition of the Falmouth Enterprise.

This Cape Cod weekly puts out a mail-away edition that holds its own in any company.

This year's edition was in eight sections with a total of 64 pages.

It was loaded with sparkling features, information on where to go and what to see, advertisements, striking pictures and a fine section on boating.

We were interested to read that among stars who'll shine at the Falmouth Playhouse this year will be: Eddie Bracken, Joan Fontaine, Ann B. (TV's Schultzie) Davis, Shirley Booth, Pat O'Brien and maybe George Raft.

Quite a lineup.

In its "Places to Go" colings to these giant menus. The mail-away is big and its vacation offerings alluring. There the comparison ends."

Sam Cahoon's Harborside Fish Market in Woods Hole has a picture of a fishing boat being unloaded.

Plus the news that fresh swordfish is being unloaded.

If you go to Woods Hole and don't visit this fish market you are missing something.

You don't have to buy.

Just walk in, look around and feel yourself getting hungry.

There is much, much more to the mail-away edition including information that one half of the graduating class at Bourne High will attend college.

Sounds rather special.

And, Bourne itself is celebrating the town's 75th birthday this summer with "events for everybody to enjoy."

So it sure looks like a hummer of a summer for Old Cape Cod and the Falmouth Enterprise's mail-away was a sea-smacking reminder of what the Cape has to offer.

—KEN DALTON.

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30 Pounds, 2 Beaver Hats Bought Nantucket in 1659

Nantucket Island, thirty miles off the coast of Massachusetts, is marking a 300th anniversary this year. In 1659 the island was sold by Thomas Mayhew at a price of "30 pounds of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife." The purchasers were eleven men from Massachusetts who were anxious to leave a life of intolerance.

Nantucket, sometimes called "little grey lady of the sea," is the only place in America which can claim being a town, a county and an island, all in one. Once the whaling capital of the world, the little island community looks today as it did in the 1800s when the whaling industry was at its height and when building lines in America were clean, uncluttered and beautiful. The whaling industry failed just at the time when architecture went through a period of "gingerbread" and "gewgaws." There was little else built and Nantucket's homes remained as they were. Today, people come from the world over to see examples of American architecture in one of its finest periods.

Concert, Art Exhibits

The program commemorating the 300th anniversary of the settling of Nantucket will feature such events as a concert by members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, exhibits of native Nantucket arts and crafts, and a visit by a United States Navy destroyer to honor Nantucket's unique place in American naval history. There will be church suppers and revivals of pleasant Nantucket customs, such as the fireman's muster and the Main Street fete. About 50 per cent of the island's male population is growing beards, and there are plans for the ladies to wear the costume of the 1800s while marketing.

The Olympic trials of the Flying Dutchman class of sailboats will be held at Nantucket this summer, as well as family reunions of the descendants of the first eleven families. Whaling seminars will bring people from all over the country interested in the history of whaling.

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Governor Invited To 300th Celebration

Massachusetts Governor Foster Furcolo was presented with tickets to the Nantucket 300th Birthday Celebration July 2 on a television program over Boston's WBZ Channel 4 Thursday morning by Rep. Robert F. Mooney (D) of Nantucket.

The program, Jack Chase's Boston segment of the Dave Garroway show, was set up by Nantucket Chamber of Commerce Executive Secretary John H. Golden who was present in the studio with Mrs. Marie Cloud of Newsome and Co., Boston public relations firm serving as technical advisor for Nantucket's 300th anniversary program.

The tickets to the Boston Symphony Orchestra concert June 21 will be given to the Governor at a later date.

The Governor said that he hoped nothing would prevent his being here on July 2 with Mrs. Furcolo. Invitations have also been issued to the five other New England Governors and to the Governor of New York.

Mr. Golden went to Boston Tuesday on the steamer, returning Thursday afternoon. George W. Jones, chairman of the 300th anniversary steering committee, had planned to meet the Governor with Mr. Golden, but was unable to leave the Island when fog cancelled Northeast flights Wednesday.

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NANTUCKET IS 300

Massachusetts Island Marks 1659 Sale to Settlers

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ENCHANTING NANTUCKET

A Bit of 18th Century America, Untouched by Time

For "30 pounds of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife," Thomas Mayhew sold Nantucket Island to 11 stout Yankee families in 1659. Thus began a saga of whale and whalers that focuses all eyes on Nantucket this year, the island's 300th birthday.

Nantucket, a magic name which means "far away island," means magic to many a vacationer who travels to see that mysterious substance known as the atmosphere of the past. Chief value of the resort town lies in its presentation of the last bit of unspoiled 18th century America, preserved as if by miracle.

The old town of Nantucket, with its whalers' mansions, its gray shingles, its cobblestones, has not changed since the tiny island was the capital of the world insofar as it concerned pursuit of the whale. Oil from the whaleships of Nantucket lighted the streets of the world, and many an American flag was flown for the first time in foreign port by a Nantucket whaling vessel.

This special heritage in our history is keenly felt by the 3400 residents of the island, and the visitor is instantly impressed with the pride in their past which every Nantucketer feels.

Keeping Nantucket's charm is a formidable task. This job is divided between the historical association and the townspeople. Most people who Summer on the island, however, enter into the spirit of preserving tradition and help to keep the finely starched and ironed appearance.

All things developed a special flavor on Nantucket. Curfew is rung each night to remind the visitor that Nantucketers have work to do and need their rest. But if you have imagination and time there are a million things to do. Swimming, sailing, excellent golf courses attract one breed of visitor. For another kind, the island is a photographer's paradise, with flowers growing wild against the weathered shingles, and crooked streets and winding lanes. Nantucket is an architectural gem, uncluttered by fads and fashions. It is an island of romance, stopped in time, with every old home a museum of the whaling days.

The 300th birthday celebration this year will be marked by special events of historical and cultural interest, kept in the tradition of the stately little island. Walking tours and lectures will present the town in its best light. Church suppers will be much in evidence, and the fast dying New England clambake will hold its own. To spark the celebration will be reunions of descendants of the first 11 families who will "come home."



THIS HOUSE, ONE OF THE OLDEST ON NANTUCKET is typical of the charm and grace of the quiet stately little town. It dates back to the late 1600's.

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Editor's Notebook by Bill Holden

THIS MONTH'S QUIZ FOR YAWNING YANKS: 1) What well-known New England graphic arts leader was named general chairman of Printing & Publishing Week of New England for 1960 last month? 2) Two century-old companies were involved in a deal last month. Who were they? 3) What Bay State newspaper announced plans for expansion last month? (Answers are somewhere below.)

NANTUCKET'S 300TH: "The little grey lady of the sea," as Nantucket is sometimes called, celebrates its 300th anniversary this year with many special events, including a visit by the Massachusetts Press Assn. over the Memorial Day week end. The little island is spending about $30,000 on promotion of the anniversary. Part of the promotion called for the design of a card marking the event. The winner, a Nantucket housewife Mrs. Sheila Jelleme, will receive 25% of the royalties from the sale of the cards. Rust Craft Publishers, Dedham, Mass., donated 10,000 anniversary greeting cards to the island.

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Carlos Montoya Nantucket Star

Two excellent musical entertainment schedules have been posted for the summer season at Harbor House in Nantucket, Mass. In both cases the starring soloists will be appearing twice nightly in the resort's Bamboo Cocktail room.

From July 1 through Aug. 15 the principal entertainer will be George Feyer, pianist. From Aug. 15 through Sept. 8 it will be Carlos Montoya who, next to Segovia perhaps, is the best-known of Spain's flamenco guitarists. Reservations for Harbor House can be arranged through F. Warner, Inc., at 17 E. 45th St.

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Early Settlement on Nantucket

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In the closing years of the eighteenth century, Nantucket, an island lying southward from Cape Cod about thirty miles, was largely swamp meadowland, dense marshes, and windswept moors that all but encircled a little hamlet on the western shore. Sherburne, or Nantucket Town, as the hamlet was eventually to be called, sheltered a mixed group of people. Among them were descendants of the shrewd pioneers, purchasers of the territory from Thomas Macy whose ownership had been obtained from the agents of the absentee English proprietors. Security for the pioneers in their new home was then doubly assured through an agreement with the Indians.

In the hundred years following these transactions, other settlers claimed the island as their home. The lure of whaling had attracted to the neighborhood a motley sprinkling of sailors from Prince Edward Island, the Azores, and other foreign ports; from time to time a few Indians strolled from the outlying wastelands into Sherburne; and Quakers found in the place a haven from persecution.

Living close together in Sherburne or scattered over the unfertile stretches of land across the eastern wilds where the cattle and sheep grazed, these divergent Nantucketers found in the island a strong welding bond. Forced into mutual trust by the common problems and dangers of frontier life, they had learned to respect one another, to live together in harmony and good will.

Through industry, hardihood, and thrift, a stark unpromising territory, divided originally by "shares" among the first settlers, had grown into a settlement built up mainly in four-square, broad-timbered homesteads and less pretentious, plain-boarded or shingled cottages. Here and there among these cottages were single-room dwellings, expanded often by unconventional additions in the rear; the prosperity, however, of several Nantucketers was evident in a few beautiful spacious residences. Practically all these dwellings, however, seemed to have borrowed a uniformly grayish coloring from the lowering moor and the encircling waters.

By 1800 Sherburne had added to its dwelling houses a "Town House," "shops of goods," meeting houses put up by the Presbyterians, the Baptists, and the Quakers, a few private schools, the quarters of the tradesmen, and a combination jail and workhouse which was almost always untenanted.—From "Lucretia Mott," by Otelia Cromwell. Copyright, 1958, by the President and Fellows of Harvard College. Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass.

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HISTORIC ISLAND

Nantucket Celebrates 300th Birthday

Nantucket—"little grey lady of the sea"—is 300 years old this year. Her history includes fabulous wealth and stark poverty. And a knowledge of how to turn a defect into an asset to become one of the unique vacation spots of the country.

You will travel far to find a place with more historic charm. The square-built houses are a sign of the affluent whaling era, when every captain built a mansion for his family.

Nantucket was in its heyday the whaling capital of the world. Oil from Nantucket whalers lighted the streets of London and Paris, and the spermaceti candles manufactured on the island sold everywhere and made great fortunes for the Nantucketers. The discovery of petroleum curtailed the use of whale oil and candles, and the building up of the sand bars off the island made the harbor increasingly inaccessible, until in the late 1800's the whaling industry failed and died.

You may tour the island easily on foot, bicycle, surrey or by car. The town itself, with its cobblestoned Main Street lined with trees and benches, provides a feeling of walking in the 18th century. This atmosphere will be helped along this Summer with the residents wearing authentic costumes of Nantucket's high period and the men wearing beards.

Siasonset, at the eastern end of the island, was once reached by a narrow-gauge railroad. It was known locally as 'Sconset, and the name has stuck. Famous for its rose-covered cottages and narrow, crooked streets, it is a photographer's paradise.

Art is an integral part of every Summer season. There are endless views to paint and photograph. Art galleries and studios abound. Lessons are available from established artists.

Nature is at her best in Nantucket, with millions of things for nature lovers to choose from. If you like collecting shells, there is abundant scope for this activity. Nantucket is 45 square miles, and the outside perimeter is white sand and sea of jewel blue. Of course if you like your shells with meat in them you can dig for quahogs and clams with a permit, or go crabbing from the crab bridges on the Madaket road or along the creeks. The many ponds offer good fishing for perch, pickerel and sunfish. Sport fishermen take their boats to hunt the bass and bluefish in among the many shoals which surround the island.

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There are Summer theaters, special concerts, and the high point of musical activity to spark the 300th birthday celebration will be a special performance of members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra on June 21. The symphony will journey to Nantucket to open a fine season of music highlighted by such famous artists as Odetta, folk singer; the Claremont Quartet; Leonard Rose, cellist, and Geoffrey Holder, dancer. These musical events will be augmented by concerts of the fine Air Force bands and by Nantucket's own Community Orchestra.

Many pleasant old-fashioned customs will be revived this Summer, like the sheep shearing festival, at Hummock Pond on June 22. Most colorful of all the pageants will be the recreation of the Main Street Fete on Aug. 11. This day will see Nantucket looking precisely as it did in the heyday of its whalers and their ladies.

Even the United States Navy will salute Nantucket for its impact on American history. On Aug. 7 the USS Miller will visit the island and salute the memory of William Mooers, Nantucket ship captain whose ship "Bedford" flew the first American flag in an English port.

There will be fashions and garden tours. For the men who are interested in the salty history of whaling there will be whaling seminars, with world-renowned experts on the subject coming to talk about the effect of the whale on this country's past and present.

Even the famous brigantine "Yankee," now captained by Nantucketer Reed Whitney, will sail in Nantucket waters to add color to the birthday celebration.

It looks like a gala Summer to celebrate the little grey lady's most important birthday.



(Chamber of Commerce Photo)

IN NANTUCKET bicycles are a popular mode of transportation but this old-time high wheeler posed in front of the Whaling Museum requires special skill.

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MASSACHUSETTS

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Arts Festival, Boston, now until June 21. Opera, concerts, plays, at Boston Public Garden.

Regattas: Lowell, June 13-14; Turners Falls, July 4; Worcester, Aug. 1-2; South Hadley, Aug. 16; East Weymouth, Sept. 27.

Horse Shows: Milton, June 21; Great Barrington, July 9-12; Northampton, July 24-26; Brockton, Sept. 11-13; West Springfield, Sept. 24-27.

Sheep Shearing Festival, Nantucket, June 23.

St. Peter Fiesta, Gloucester, June 26-28.

Berkshire Music Barn, Lenox, June 28-Sept. 6. Jazz, folk music performed on week-ends.

Jacobs Pillow Dance Festival, Lee, June 30-Aug. 29.

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Water Ski Tournament, Webster, July 11-12.

Whaling Seminar, Nantucket, July 15-17.

Antiques Fair, Hyannis, July 20-24.

Old House Tour, Harwich, July 28.

Navy Festival, Nantucket, Aug. 7-9. Observance of 300th birthday of city.

Festival of Arts, Gloucester, Aug. 15.

Olympic Sailing Trials, Nantucket, Aug. 20-22.

Round-up, Nantucket, Sept. 11-13.

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Nantucket Island Noting 300th Birthday This Year

Nantucket Island, 30 miles off the coast of Massachusetts, is celebrating its 300th birthday this year. In 1659, 300 years ago, the island was sold by Thomas Mayhew at a price of "30 pounds of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife." The purchasers were 11 men from Massachusetts who were anxious to lead a life of intolerance.

Nantucket, sometimes called "little grey lady of the sea," is the only place in America which can claim being a town, a county and an island, all in one. Once the whaling capital of the world, the little island community looks today as it did in the 1800's when the whaling industry was at its height. Families of the wealthy whalers lived in mansions in Nantucket, constructed at a time in American architectural history when building lines were clean, uncluttered and beautiful. The whaling industry failed just at the time when architecture went through a period of "gingerbread" and "gewgaws," and because of lack of money to make changes, Nantucket's homes remained as they were. This fact has become one of the island's greatest assets, with people coming from the world over to see fine examples of American architecture.

Colorful Observance

The program commemorating the 300th anniversary of the landing of the first white settlers on Nantucket will feature such events as a concert by members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, exhibits of native Nantucket arts and crafts, and a visit by a U.S. Navy destroyer to honor Nantucket's unique place in American naval history. There will be church suppers and revivals of pleasant Nantucket customs, such as the fireman's muster and the Main Street fete. About 50 per cent of the island's male population is growing beards, and there are plans for the ladies to wear the costume of the 1800's while marketing. The Olympic trials of the Flying Dutchman class of sailboats will be held at Nantucket this summer, as well as family reunions of the descendants of the first 11 families. Whaling seminars will bring people from all over the country interested in the history of whaling.

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ARTIST'S WALK ON NANTUCKET

. . . Summer visitors looking over paintings on Artist's Walk on Nantucket Island during their visit. The Island is celebrating its 300th birthday this summer with a program of clambakes, parades, square dances, ballet, sports car rallies, folk singing, concerts, firemen's musters and sailing races. (AP photo).

Ex-Whaling Capital

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By Bill Moiles

We're Seeking a Spot For 'Saponaceous'

ABLE, ONE of the space monkeys, has died during an operation for the removal of a recording instrument implanted under her skin, and the Army announces that there is "absolutely" no evidence that her death was the result of her flight 300 miles into outer space.

We're a little surprised that the Army felt compelled to point that out, because anybody with a grain of sense would know it, anyway. Well, wouldn't he?

An operation for the removal of a recording instrument implanted under the skin is simply a routine occupational hazard for a monkey, one that any reasonable monkey would expect in the humdrum course of monkey events.

It could have happened to any old monkey — any monkey, that is, with a recording instrument under the skin.

Let the Army get on with this vitally important aspect of its work and stop pointing out the obvious.

THE ARMY did say that the late Able had been somewhat "worked up" after her space experience — and the public appearances that resulted from it.

It just happens that we were worked up, too. And we'll tell the Army — and anybody else who may be interested — why.

We kept wondering how much money had been expended — the total cost, covering everything — to get those two monkeys 300 miles out and then back again.

Then we wondered how much more it had cost to send up the mice. (At this writing, we don't know how THEY made out.)

Then we wondered how much good might have been accomplished if all of that money had been used instead to aid in the search for a cure for cancer — or some of the other killing and unbridled diseases that afflict so many right here on earth.

That's when WE got worked up — and it hasn't completely gone away yet.

DO YOU fall in love with certain words at first sight?

We currently have a case on "saponaceous," which we encountered recently in the writings of H. L. Mencken.

Means "soaplike, soapy," and Mencken used it to describe the smile of a clergyman that he didn't particularly favor.

But isn't it a lovely word? And couldn't you do a lot with it — in the right place?

We're watching for the right spot now — and we can hardly wait.

Now, when we see poor old fabulous tottering along on those ridiculously high heels, bleached and gaudy, we avert our gaze and cross the street.

After all, what's the point of dragging out a thing like that? If the old feeling's gone, then it's gone — and the thing to do is face it bravely and try to forget.

NANTUCKET IS this year observing the 300th anniversary of its settling by white men, and if you've been putting off a visit to that island of charm and dignity, this summer would be a good time to make it.

We have been reading the "Declaration of Courtesy and Consideration" published by the Nantucket Island Chamber of Commerce, and one paragraph struck us as particularly appealing.

"Nine o'clock curfew ringing from the South Church Tower is a mere reminder that friends and neighbors appreciate quiet in the late evening hours. Our closely built island community can not otherwise rest happily."

Sort of restful just to think about it.

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Nantucket Tricentennial

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There need be no doubt the island's civic leaders and cultivators of the tourist business will see to it that the news gets the widest possible public notice. For instance, President Eisenhower has been invited; and, while he will not be able to get there for the opening exercises, he is said to have had his would-be hosts assured that he hopes to make it before the jubilee is over.

On account of the troubles the New Haven Railroad and the Massachusetts Steamboat Authority have been having about providing for adequate transportation, by land and sea, some vexatious difficulties and delays may be involved in getting there. Once the tourists have made it, very nearly all of them will be glad they persevered. As Harvard's Prof. Samuel Eliot Morison expresses it, in his "Maritime History of Massachusetts." "Hardly a spot on the New England coast lacks passionate devotees; but the worshippers of Nantucket form a cult of positive fanatics."

Prof. Morison describes Nantucket itself as "the one unspoiled seaport town of New England; a town in which every house built before 1840—(and few were not)—was sired out of the sea. . ." The permanent residents who cater to "summer people" are commonly pleasant and hospitable folks. Without ever being loud or unctuous about it, they have a way of making visitors feel genuinely welcome.

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Bikes Outnumber Cars On Nantucket Island

by Sheila C. O'Shea

The man who lives on Nantucket is by definition an islander—and a transportation expert. He's unsual if he doesn't memorize the steamboat schedule or know when the airplanes are fogged out. Familiar to him are idiosyncrasies of Northeast Airlines, the politics of the Steamboat Authority are table talk, for the common carriers con trol the life of the Island.

If the planes are grounded and the steamer doesn't make port, there are no daily newspapers, no letters, more important, no bread. Repeated are the days of World War II rationing when housewives scrambled for scarce items. The woman who isn't at the First National when the loaves are delivered from Steamboat Wharf goes home and bakes her own.

Transportation is an inner-inner-island matter, too and wheels dominate the twisting streets. Once they were the drays rumbling over the cobble stonepavements. Today they are bicycles and automobiles. Not many years ago a great controversy raged on Nantucket. Should automobiles be allowed on the Island? They were, but the wise driver knows two things: a small car is island-sized and courtesy always pays. Motorists are exceedingly polite, halting at intersections whether a stop sign is posted or not, but in fairness to the barrelling drivers of Vermont it should be admitted that courtesy is self-preservation. If the cars didn't stop, they'd clobber each other to bits.

Thin Lanes

The unpatterned, narrow lanes of Nantucket are a challenge for even a Volkswagen and ludicrous is the driver trying to maneuver his long station wagon from a lane onto a street. For that reason, and because cycling and islands have a natural affinity for one another, bicycles outnumber cars on Nantucket. Cycling over the heathered moors or bumping along cobblestoned Main Street is romantic but jarring, yet so intricate is the one-way street system in downtown Nantucket that for short hauls bicycling or even walking is faster and less nerve wracking than driving.

Everyone on an island but a philosopher is conscious of whether he can leave the spot of land surrounded by the sea. Whether his purse or his boss would allow him to or not is irrelevant. He wants to feel free, and freedom means unlimited travel even though the world is round and eventually he ends where he began. When the ocean encircles a man, he hungers to cross the waters to the mainland. But it's also man's contrary nature when he's on the continent to take to the sea. And that is how islands are discovered.

Misty

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Bikes Outnumber Cars On Nantucket Island

by Sheila C. O'Shea

The man who lives on Nantucket is by definition an islander—and a transportation expert. He's unsual if he doesn't memorize the steamboat schedule or know when the airplanes are fogged out. Familiar to him are idiosyncrasies of Northeast Airlines, the politics of the Steamboat Authority are table talk, for the common carriers con trol the life of the Island.

If the planes are grounded and the steamer doesn't make port, there are no daily newspapers, no letters, more important, no bread. Repeated are the days of World War II rationing when housewives scrambled for scarce items. The woman who isn't at the First National when the loaves are delivered from Steamboat Wharf goes home and bakes her own.

Transportation is an inner-inner-island matter, too and wheels dominate the twisting streets. Once they were the drays rumbling over the cobble stonepavements. Today they are bicycles and automobiles. Not many years ago a great controversy raged on Nantucket. Should automobiles be allowed on the Island? They were, but the wise driver knows two things: a small car is island-sized and courtesy always pays. Motorists are exceedingly polite, halting at intersections whether a stop sign is posted or not, but in fairness to the barrelling drivers of Vermont it should be admitted that courtesy is self-preservation. If the cars didn't stop, they'd clobber each other to bits.

Thin Lanes

The unpatterned, narrow lanes of Nantucket are a challenge for even a Volkswagen and ludicrous is the driver trying to maneuver his long station wagon from a lane onto a street. For that reason, and because cycling and islands have a natural affinity for one another, bicycles outnumber cars on Nantucket. Cycling over the heathered moors or bumping along cobblestoned Main Street is romantic but jarring, yet so intricate is the one-way street system in downtown Nantucket that for short hauls bicycling or even walking is faster and less nerve wracking than driving.

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Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce

Seaside scenes are always popular with amateur painters on Cape Cod.

Cape Cod Ideal for Water Sports

CAPE COD, Mass.

Cape Cod's 300 miles of beaches, harbors and inlets make the popular seashore resort an ideal place for every form of water sport. There is swimming in waters 70 degrees warm at the smart beaches along Nantucket Sound at Craigville, Falmouth and Chatham. From Provincetown to Orleans are the invigorating waters of the Atlantic, cool but not too cold for real bathing fun. That is true, also, of Cape Cod Bay, edged by marshes and wide sand flats.

The summer visitor this year will find more beach facilities than ever before — new and larger bathhouses, better parking areas and improved services. In fact, vacation accommodations of every kind have reached an all-time peak this year, with room enough for every one. The modernization of resorts and added comforts and conveniences have increased enormously in the last few years.

Always a popular golf region, the Cape now has eight nine-hole layouts and eight eighteen-hole courses.

Many sport fishermen say the waters surrounding Cape Cod out-do any other area in the abundance of fish rising to the hook from spring until late fall.

More than twenty-five yacht clubs are located on Cape Cod from the banks of the Canal to Provincetown Harbor. Yacht racing will begin in earnest at the end of June and continue through Labor Day with some activity every day. Safe inland waterways such as Bass River and its head ponds and expansive lakes and harbors are popular with motorboat owners.

Tennis, horseback riding, shuffleboard and archery are other fun-in-the-sun activities Cape Cod offers the visitor. No one should miss a ride in a beach buggy alongside the pounding surf of the outer Cape shores and over the towering sand dunes. There are salt water cruises daily in luxury excursion boats from Hyannis and Woods Hole to the islands of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard.

To enjoy a unique Cape Cod holiday one must take the time to follow the mapped tours of the region's historic landmarks. For this and other information, write to: Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce, Hyannis, Mass., and ask for a free copy of the Cape Cod Resort Directory.

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Three-Century Island

FOR the next four months or so, the natives of Nantucket will be staging a series of wingdings to celebrate the 300th anniversary of their island.

Everyone is invited. And everyone who can arrange it should go, grateful that no passport is required.

Despite colorful hassles and threats to secede from the mainland, Nantucket, fortunately, is still part of the Union, its people as cordial as they are independent.

Nowhere are the spirit and beauty of early Amer-



ica more naturally preserved than on this Massachusetts island of wild roses and whaling relics.

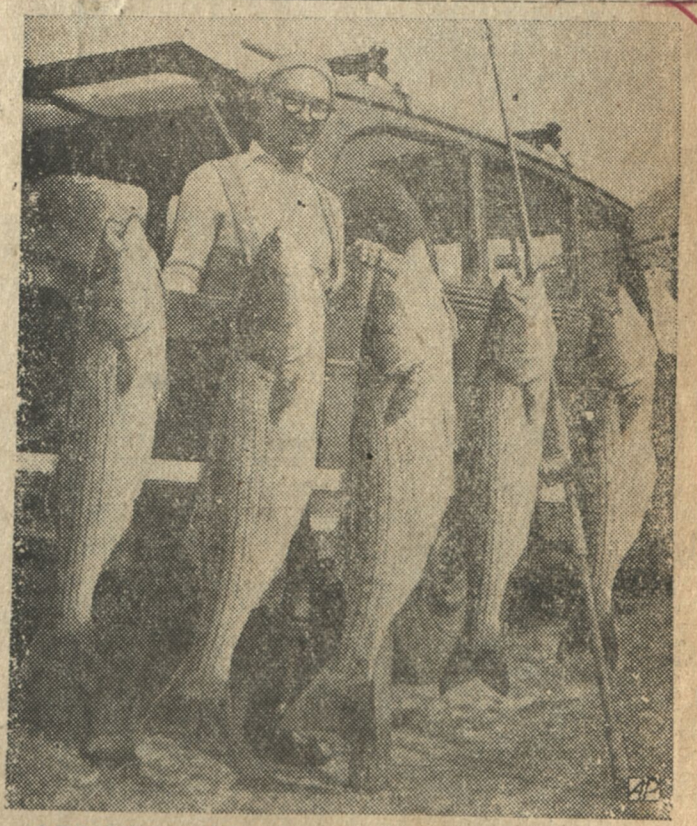
There is something of interest for everyone — crazily cobbled streets, magnificent white beaches, weather-beaten shacks, handsome old captains' mansions with their widow's walks. Vast stretches of moors, an ancient windmill on a hill, a land-locked harbor, boats everywhere and lobsters cooking.

Accept the bid to this summer-long party.

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JULIO PROL, well known guitarist, who has spent many Summers in Provincetown will give instruction on the guitar this Summer at Cape Cod Conservatory of Music and Arts. Mr. Prol, born in Spain, has taught 10 years in this country, covering classical romantic, modern and daroque guitar music, and is a fellow of the Society of Classic Guitar. He will play at the Nantucket Island Tercentenary Celebration on July 6.

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STRIPER STAR — Abe Glasser is a happy and proud fisherman after bringing in five striped bass totaling 127 pounds while surf fishing at Nantucket Island.

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Recreation Allies Itself With History

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The travel accent in the United States this year is on history and this summer's vacations probably will be the most educational American tourists have ever taken.

That's the forecast of Joseph J. Horan, 1959 president of the National Association of Travel Organizations.

New York State, whose travel bureau Mr. Horan heads, is observing a "Year of History," centering around the 350th anniversaries of the discoveries of Lake Champlain and the Hudson River.

Here are other major historical observances planned as travel lures:

The Oregon Centennial, which includes a big Exposition and World Trade Fair at Portland.

Colorado's "Rush to the Rockies" celebration, commemorating the state's first big gold rush to Central City in 1859.

Nevada's centennial of the discovery of silver on the Comstock Lode at Virginia City.

The sesquicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth in Kentucky (also celebrated at Lincoln shrines in Illinois, Indiana, and Washington, D.C.)

The Florida Quadricentennial, a seven-year celebration which gets under way this summer at Pensacola centering around an exposition and reproduced Spanish colonists' village on nearby Santa Rosa Island.

The 300th anniversary of Norwich, Conn.—typical of many—which will hold a nightly pageant July 5-11. Bangor, Maine, and Nantucket are also looking backward this season.

Such special events, plus higher prosperity and employment levels, may result in tourist gains of more than 10 per cent and set new records in many U.S. vacationlands, James L. Bossemeyer, executive vice president of the national organization, predicts.

Opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway will attract many tourists to see ocean-going ships steaming through channels and into Great Lakes ports which had never seen their like before. The visit of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Phillip for the Seaway opening is primarily a Canadian show, but vacationists in Chicago, and possibly other cities along the Seaway, will try to get at least a glimpse of them.

Interest in the new states of Hawaii and Alaska is so great that many travel agencies report tour bookings there up 50 per cent or more.

Attendance at national parks for the first quarter of the year was way up.

Much of the increased interest in the parks, too, centered around history. As part of the Parks "Mission 66" long-range improvements, 15 visitors centers are being opened this year to dramatize the history of the parks.

Perhaps the most dramatic event of the summer will be the first official raising of the 49-star flag at one minute past midnight on July 4 at Ft. McHenry, Maryland. The flag-raising will occur during a re-enactment of the bombardment of Baltimore which inspired composition of the national anthem.

Almost all the major new tourist attractions opening this summer also will have a historical motif. They include:

Pleasure Island, the big new amusement park near Boston. It will include Clipper Village, reproduction of an old whaling port, a Western Frontier Village and an Engine City exhibit of old steam railroads.

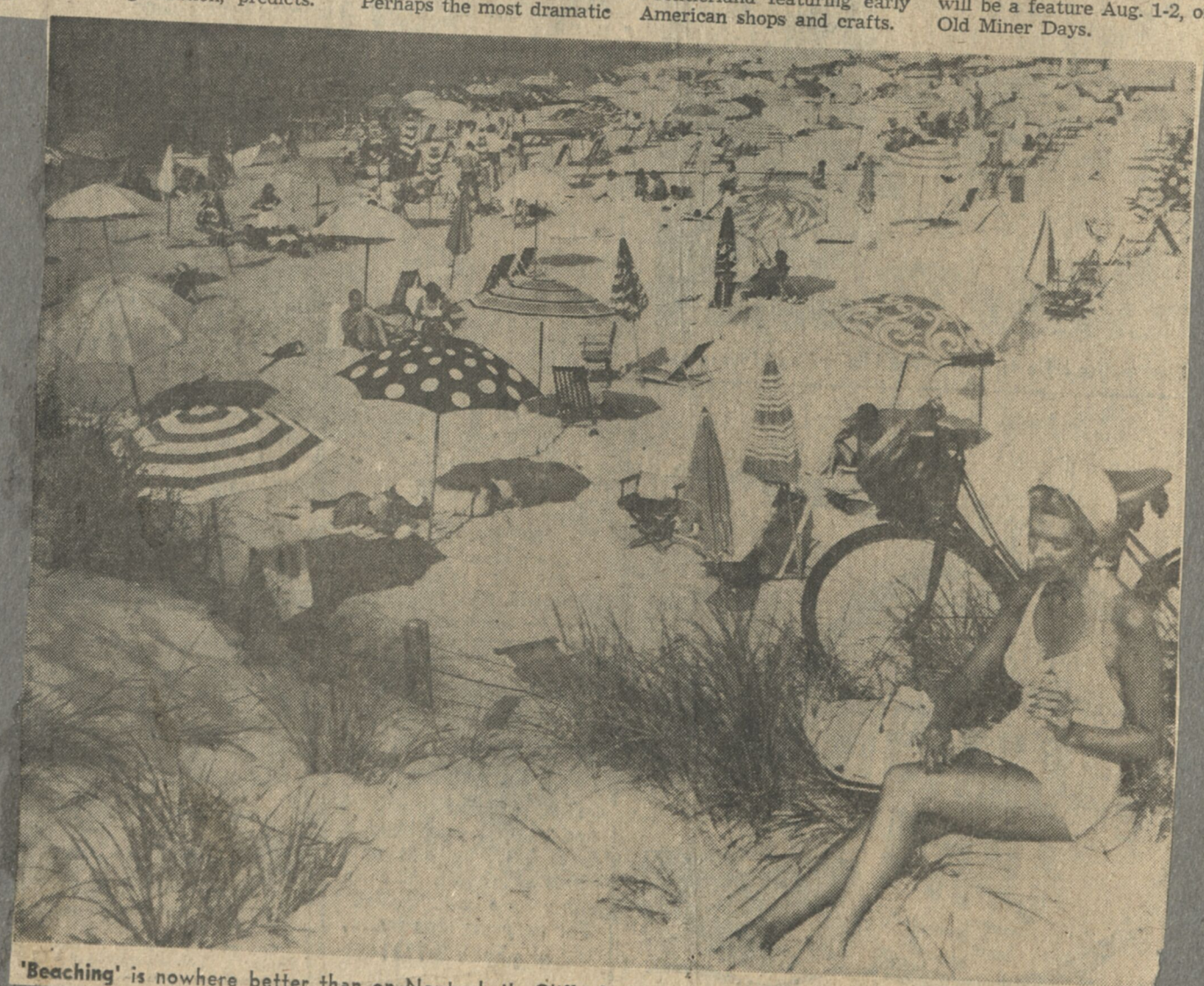
Fort Dells, in the Wisconsin Dells vacation area, which includes a reproduction of a fort and blockhouses; plus an Indianland, where native Winnebagos work with birchbark, beads and reeds, and a Frontierland featuring early American shops and crafts.

The Circus World Museum at Baraboo, Wisc., once winter headquarters of the Ringling Brothers circus. It includes an 18-ton steam calliope and parade wagons dating back to 1882.

In North Carolina, the reconstruction of the colonial governor's palace at New Bern finally is complete after six years. Hostesses in 18th-century costumes conduct guests through the palace.

A new outdoor historical drama opening at Bardstown, Ky., in late June tells "The Stephen Foster Story." Another, "Trail West," centered around the life story of Gen. George A. Custer, will be presented at Ft. Lincoln State Park, Mandan, N. Dak., beginning July 1.

At Big Bear Lake in the San Bernadino mountains, once gold country, a derby racing one hundred mountain burros will be a feature Aug. 1-2, of Old Miner Days.



'Beaching' is nowhere better than on Nantucket's Cliffside Beach. The island is observing its 300th anniversa

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Personals

Mrs. Marine Cloud of the Newsome Co. of Boston, public relations firm, technical director for the Island's 300th birthday program, will broadcast about Nantucket at 11:30 a.m. July 10 over Boston WHDH TV on Channel 5.

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Nantucket Notes Anniversary

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Nantucket Islanders Plan the End Of "Cold War" With U.S. Mainland

By Don Guy

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Artist's Walk

Paintings and drawings line a fence bordering a brick sidewalk on Nantucket Island, once the whaling capital of the world, which is now marking its 300th anniversary. Islanders have planned a summer-long schedule of entertainment and every visitor will get a piece of birthday cake.—AP WIREPHOTO.

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NANTUCKET, called by the Indians, the "Far-away Land," has such an intriguing history from its discovery to the present that practicaly everybody has written about it. Look in the catalog under Nantucket and you'll find a dozen or more good books. Take a few along and learn all about the island before you reach Steamboat Wharf.

Martha's Vineyard is an equally fascinating place to visit. During the Revolution this island was raided by many British men-of-war that destroyed all the shipping in the harbors and seized all the food. On one occasion, the natives had to cut tons of frozen sea bass out of the ice to keep from starving. Natives still have to worry about the hoards of tourists who descend each summer like locusts and eat their way across the land. After lunch, be sure to visit the old cemeteries where headstones, inscribed with curious epitaphs, date back to 1670.

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Nantucket Fetes 300th Year

For 30 pounds of silver and two beaver hats, 10 Massachusetts men bought Nantucket Island in 1659 and began a dynasty that had an impact on the world.

Travel

Nantucket — and it means "far away island"—became the whaling capital of the world, and in its heyday whale oil from Nantucket lighted the streets of London and Paris. The whalers opened up world trade to the United States long before the clipper ships. The first American flag ever to be flown in England was flown by William Mooer's Nantucket ship.

This year a gala celebration marks the island's 300th birthday. Preparation began early in the year when Nantucketers set to work designing a birthday card, making authentic costumes of the whaling days, and the gentlemen have grown beards.

DESIGNED BY MATRON

The card, designed by an amateur, is being produced by Rust Craft Greeting Cards, and presented to Nantucket for sale this summer.

Mrs. Shelia Jelleme, housewife who designed the card, will receive royalties on the sales this summer, and a companion winner of a verse contest, George Folger, will also receive a prize.

The celebration is sparked by events which are designed to keep the special historical and cultural flavor of old Nantucket. On June 21, 40 members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra will journey to play for the first time on an American island.

In appreciation for bringing symphony music to them, the Nantucketers will treat members of the orchestra to a typical Nantucket supper which will be prepared by one of the island's best cooks, Mrs. Beulah Scully.

PLAN BIRTHDAY FETE

The Parent-Teachers' Ass'n will work with Mrs. Scully to provide something which symphony orchestra members do not see every day — old-fashioned, small-town hospitality, Nantucket style.

The big birthday party is scheduled for July 2. That day, the stately little island will show off at her best for hundreds of famous visitors who have been specially invited to the party. Since Nantucketers like the old-fashioned manner, no guest that day will be left to figure out what to do or where to go.

Residents have arranged to draw lots for a guest, and the family of the local dressmaker may well play host to Katharine Cornell that day.

There will be a special effort made this summer to see to it that no visitor leaves Nantucket without having sampled some of the magic of the island's charm.

ANTIQUE CAR SHOW

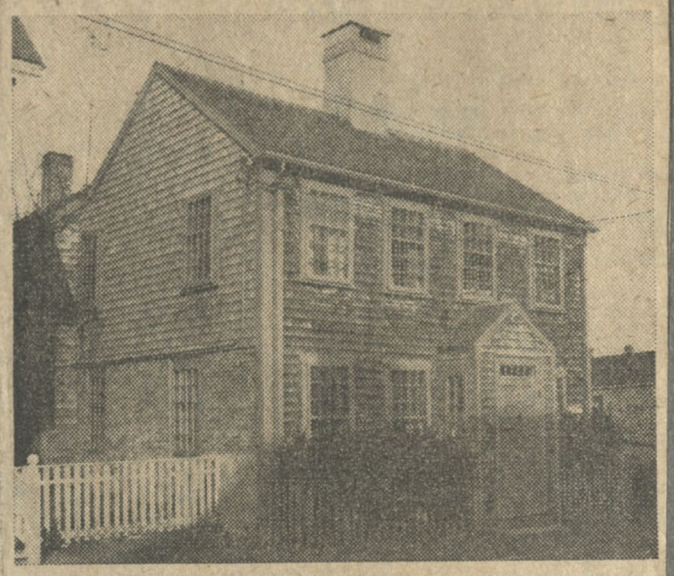
On July 11 the Veteran Motor Car Club will venture across the water to pay its respects to the old-fashioned island. From all over New England the venerable cars will come. When they reach Nantucket, they will find themselves in a proper setting to do themselves proud, and when they parade and tour the island they should be treated to 'Sconset roses at their height.

Nantucketers built their houses right on the sidewalk, with stairways to welcome guests from either direction. Their spacious gardens are on the side and in the back. Building of the houses in this fashion has made it impractical to change the widths of the streets, and this has it own special effect. Nantucket traffic has to move slowly and be polite. There is no other way.

The houses are a study in perfect early American architecture. It is a widely known fact that the whaling industry began to falter at the time in architectural history when gingerbread and additions became fashionable. There was no money to change things on Nantucket at the time, and so it has remained—a jewel without flaw in recreating the atmosphere of the past.

An atmosphere of grace pervades the island. These people have lived in a small town which has run the gamut from riches to poverty. They know the value of a good guest, and good guests are treated well.

They are choosy about who visits their island—they want people who can appreciate what Nantucket does the best, and what Nantucket does the best cannot be found in an amusement park.



A TYPICAL HOME IN NANTUCKET
People From All Over Visit to See Architecture

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Little Big Shot: Jimmy Briard, 3, shows he can pose like the adults with striped bass as large as he is at Nantucket Island Mass. Jimmy didn't catch the 34-pounder. It was caught from boat skippered by his father.

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PRIZE CATCH—This picture of Ahe Glasser with five hefty striped bass is expected to make anglers stage a bee-line for Nantucket Island. Glasser hooked the five beauties off Great Point, using a big plug for lure. They totaled 127 pounds. Their weights, l. to r., are: 23, 30, 32, 23 and 20 pounds.

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Let's Go Dancing

Paul Adams Shines at New State Ballroom


Don Dudley
Moseley's


Frank Rogers
Oceanview


Al Bandera
Convention


Guy Ormandy
Varsity

By EDDIE RUGG

Bill Fuller's bustling New State ballroom turns its spotlight on Paul Adams and the band tonight, continuing those merry Gay 90 dance parties that sparkle here every week, as robust attendance testifies. Managing for the old-time evenings is Dom, one of the best known personalities along the ballroom scene as well as one of the most capable.

Jackie Roche comes in for a big Saturday date, Jackie is a major attraction and should provide a tremendous throng. Be advised, too, of the holiday eve dance slated for the 3rd. A top-notcher.

Tony Abbott brings his band into the Surf this Saturday. Here, too, a resounding Night Before dance party is scheduled.

The illness of Louis Armstrong cancels his appearance at the Hampton Casino next Wednesday, a tremendous loss to the many who had considered this as one of the most important personalities slated for N. E. this season. Next name: Jerry Vale, over the holiday week-end. Freddy Saterial Saturday.

Joe DeSimone's quest for the lady to represent the Varsity Club in the Miss N. E. Ballroom Contest continues this week-end at the Sherry. First-class dancing, of course, with the Guy Ormandy band . . . Ted Herbert keeps a Commodore date this Saturday. Tonight at the Lowell ballroom, Carmen Dell.

The holiday also swings in with a bright dance at Oceanview, where Jimmy Stella takes over the bandstand. This Saturday the Revere spot features Frank Rogers. Larry Elgart in next week . . . Ackerman ballroom finds George Kay in a return visit. A pleasant spot, indeed, for Saturday visiting.

Kas Ulaky, Lou Captell and Anthony Berni, co-owners of Canobie Lake Park, are the subject of "profiles" in the current "Business Views and News," monthly newsletter of the Merrimack Valley National Bank.

Larry Cooper has received the nod for the big anniversary ball at Nantucket on July 2. It's the island's tercentenary.

While Satchmo's illness bars his keeping immediate bookings in N. E. and elsewhere, don't be surprised if his band carries on until Louis returns—under the baton of Red Nichols.

Old-time dancing swings merrily on this Saturday at Revere's Beachview. Similarly does the Convention provide a most alluring Saturday with the Al Bandera band.

Bob Chesnut continues to rate those fine rounds of applause at Hampton Court Hotel. Excellent music-making . . . Earl Harris makes those purty dancing sounds Saturday at Roseland-Taunton. Stan Kenton here July 10th.

Art Tancredi, former Dorsey trumpeter and winner of the Rhode Island "Best New Band" contest, returns to Rhodes this Saturday. Good wishes, too, to the Riccios, who mark their 5th anniversary at Rhodes this week-end.

Talented Bob Bachelder goes right on making those Totem Pole week-ends danceably delightful. Great band, great music . . . Don Dudley is the week-ender at Moseley's. Don is a great Dedham favorite . . . Earl Rand proves a splendid lure at Coral Gables . . . Johnny Sisk Saturday at Lakeside.

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By DON GUY

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Little Big Shot



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Cottage Provided For Publicists Of 300th Birthday Of Island

A cottage on Old South Wharf overlooking the harbor will be provided for visiting journalists and publicists of the media of radio, TV, newspapers and magazines to publicize the Island's 300th birthday in 1959.

The 300th Birthday Committee, at a meeting Monday, accepted with gratitude the offer of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Deeley of Island Service Company placing the cottage Ship Ahoy at the disposal of the committee.

To date, the Committee announced, Frank Tooke, general manager of Boston's TV Station WBZ is to visit here in August to make arrangements for televising the Island's tercentenary observance the week of July 2, 1959. Also expected this Summer to obtain publicity material on the celebration will be Miss Myrna Johnson, foods and equipment editor of Better Homes and Gardens magazine and Stanley Barrens, New England bureau manager for the United Press International.

Mrs. Marie Cloud of Newsome and Co., the public relations firm directing the Nantucket celebration program, and Robert Caldwell of the celebration's steering committee, will assist in providing facilites and services for the media representatives visiting here.

Invitations to New England firms to hold management meetings on the Island and firms planning conventions have gone out to several hundred executives.

Mrs. Cloud, who is to spend three weeks here in July, will go to New York to talk to magazine publishers on releases publicizing the Island's planned celebration.

An artistic exhibit of Island origin is to be selected for exhibit in New England museums by a committee of three, comprised of David Little, register at the Boston Museum, and Elizabeth Saltonstall and Dorothy Adlough, artists.

The Committee said many museums have indicated their pleasure in showing a Nantucket collection of artistic objects. In this connection, the committee was informed that Northeast Airlines will make space available at their terminals for the display of Island arts and crafts of a contemporary nature.

A photo contest of black and whites and color which is to be judged and for which prizes are to be awarded is to be set up shortly and entry blanks will be distributed for those who desire to compete. Winning awards are to be used in publicizing the celebration. Judging of the photos is planned for the Fall.

Mrs. Cloud, who has taken charge of the family file on descendants of the original 11 Island

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families, will have each family select its own chairman for a reunion in 1959.

Format of 300th birthday signs to be posted at Steamboat Wharf and at Memorial Airport were approved by the Committee and will be painted by W. P. Hardy & Son.

George W. Jones, chairman of the Birthday Committee, who pre-

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sided at the meeting, announced plans are for the Girl Scouts to act as guides for walking tourists during the celebration. He read a letter from Rep. Robert F. Mooney stating the State will not contribute funds for the promotion of the event.

The Committee has tentatively set its next meeting for the third week in July.

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Wished a home to train his children,
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Homeland lying far to westward
In the land now Massachusetts.
With his band of Pawkunnawakutts,
With Olesquant, his loyal comrade,
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Upon whom to lay his mantle,
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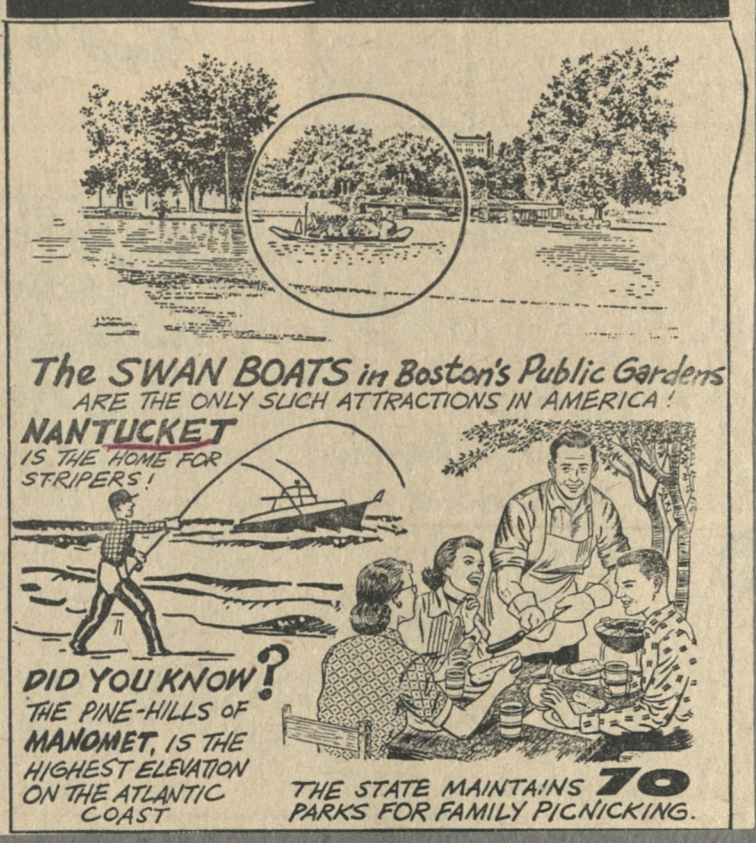
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One day as our great chief Moshope sat in his doorway peacefully puffing away at his ever-faithful peeoodledee and dreaming of the mighty deeds of the past, the thought came to him that he would build a bridge across to the nearest bit of land, Cuttyhunk, and visit with those neighbors whom he could see daily.

To think was to act with this Great One. Immediately he gathered his deerskin apron full of rocks of all descriptions, boulders which lay scattered all about him, and started work upon his self-imposed task. All went

Since 'tis said Nantucketers do not care for this, this story of the humble origin of that lovely gem of the sea, I make apology and say, like the poet, 'twas so told to me.

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NANTUCKET: A MAIDEN'S DOWRY

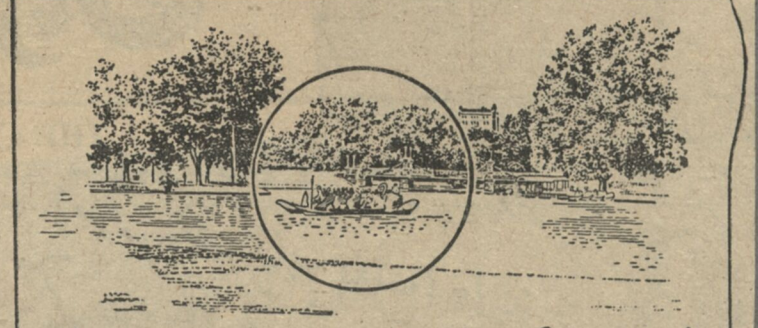
Many wondrous deeds of kindness
Did old Moshope for the faithful.
Once a maid, without a dowry,
Could not wed her ardent lover,
For she had no wealth to give him,
Only wealth of love she bore him.
Hence the petty chief, his father,
Yielded not to such a union.
Then the careful lovers counselled
Mighty Moshope, full of wisdom,
Could he help to solve their problem?
She, by far the better pleader,
Would consult him at his fireside.
Thus one evening, as the chieftain
Loitered dreaming in his doorway,
With his eyes upon blue waters
Dashing, swirling round the headland;
With his thoughts far off to westward—
Warrior he of fearless bearing—
Softly smoke curled outward, upward,
From peeoodledee the large one,
From the pipe of giant Moshope,
Making clouds, above the headlands,
Drifting out to meet the sunset.
So the maiden found him dreaming.
She had toiled the rugged pathway
With a heavy heart, uncertain whether
Moshope could relieve her;
Heavier now, as towered the giant
Far above in the doorway.
And she shrank in terror from him
Till his kindly voice demanded
That she tell him why she sought him.
All her worries, all her heartaches,
Pent up long within her bosom,
Poured like lava from a crater,
Waiting only for some outlet.
Like a father, Moshope listened,
Gently promised he would aid her.
She must bring her lover with her
To the hill on Chappaquiddick.
Thither on the day appointed
Moshope met the youthful lovers;
Little said he while he waited;
Smoking slowly his peeoodledee,
Gazing calmly toward the ocean.
They, the lovers, grew distracted,
Feared their hopes of Moshope fail them,
Feared their hopes be left in ruins.
When at last his pipe he finished,
Lifting it above the water
Moshope knocked the ashes seaward,
And a hissing, then a roaring,
Rolled about and all around them.
Like a cloud, so dense the fog was,
They could hardly see each other.
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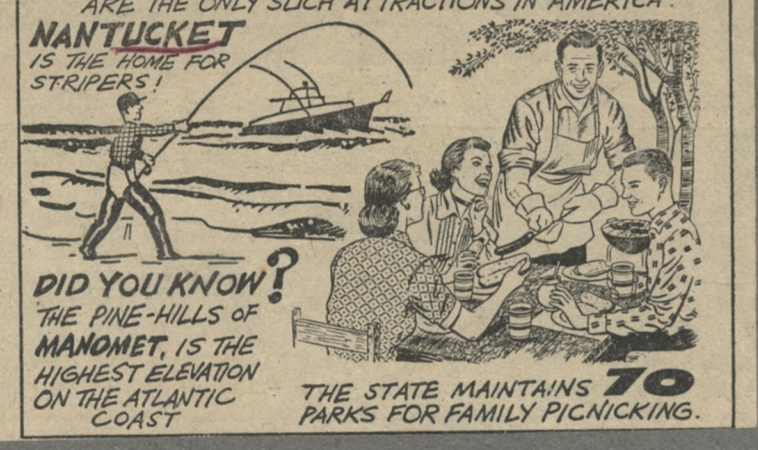
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About Town . . .

They say we don't forget anything as fast as we do pain and the weather, when they're gone. But last week's weather made a dent on our disposition. And we can still remember with gratitude how it cleared off in time to get the lawn mowed Saturday. The lawns looked good, didn't they? And everything else. Corn is going to be knee-high by the Fourth of July, because it is already. It looks also as if we might get the rare treat of three crops of hay. It's to be wondered whether the trees will be able to carry their big crop of leaves all summer. We will probably see some of them dropping by August. The flowers sure popped out when the sun struck them. But it's still southern New England. Something else can happen by the time this gets into print.

But summer got here Sunday night, with the full moon to show it the way, and somehow everything feels different. It's like opening a package that has been waiting for a birthday to come. We've waited six months for it. But it's here: "On with the dance, let joy be unconfined."

Strawberries by the side of the road. As welcome as the ramblers blooming along the fences. They both jumped fast in two days of sun. Quite a bit of sun on the berries, too. They had pushed ahead, rain or shine, all the gloomy week and dribbled into the market. But Sunday they boomed. It was good to see the growers getting a good weekend business. Raising strawberries is an odd business, with 49 weeks of waiting and then the crop come and gone in three weeks. Eat hearty, and then start the jam kettles going. Nothing so good as strawberry jam. With a salute, of course, to raspberry jam.

Nature has tried some queer experiments in her day, from three-barreled worms (trilobites) to dinosaurs - - and given them up. One that she still sticks to is the tree frog that trills to us these summer afternoons to tell us it's going to rain. He has only three toes and suckers on his feet so that he can cling to a tree trunk or wall even when he's asleep. He is a true chameleon that changes color to match a green leaf or a brown branch. The under part of his body is surfaced with small pores that work like a blotter so that he can lean against a damp tree trunk and drink through his stomach while he catches food with his feet and mouth. He's so tiny we seldom see him. His voice is bigger than he is, filling the sultry afternoon with some of the music of summer.

There were 1395 names of Somerset and Swansea people old and young, in last week's issue of the Spectator. If there were some duplicates they were more than offset by the names of visitors - - party and wedding guests, and such - - from out of town, which were not included in the count. In all, about one thousand five hundred names appeared in the issue. That's a tremendous job of copy writing, type setting, proof reading and getting such details as middle initials right. The editorial staff and the shop men peg away and take the big job of serving the public in their stride. But I'm proud of those figures, and have to say so.

We sent for the history of "Nantucket's Three Hundred Years" which the Island has published in connection with its notable Tercentenary this summer. It has come and we shall try to report on it. But, to our great pleasure we found inserted in the book a greeting from John "Gunnie" Stackpole. During the war "Gunnie" was a civilian inspector and lived at that time on Riverside avenue in Somerset. He and his family have had a long association with the Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror. During that brief Somerset stay he worked part time at the Spectator just to keep his hands in printer's ink. Now he's back on the staff with his wife Laurel, and in charge of several of the features of Nantucket's celebration. It is nice to hear from Laurel and Gunnie again.

Authorities say that Cape Cod, Horseneck and southern Rhode Island, lead the country as the haunt of the wood tick. And we're right between them. We're not likely to get them on us if we don't walk through the tall grass. But Rover does and he's been scratching since the middle of May, poor chap. They're most gone now for a time while they lay their eggs. But the young will be here about the middle of August, clinging to the tall grass and ready to change to an ankle or the soft parts of a dog. They may be leaving, but it's still important to watch for them. If their eggs hatch under the skin they can make a miserable sore. Just how bad, can be judged by the fact that one of those pesky fat females can lay 5000 eggs.

Well, the public's roar of disapproval stopped the Weather Bureau's Discomfort Index before it got started. DI is now going to give way to THI, meaning Temperature-Humidity Index. Telling us - - as if we didn't know - - that "It isn't the heat, it's the humidity." We'll let the Weather Bureau have its fun with THI. But we're going to add an "S". This Heat Is Summer.

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NEW LONDON, Conn.
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past two years.

Holiday guests of Mrs. H. J. Sherwell were her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Julio Prol, and children, Candela and Ricky of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Prol left Sunday for Nantucket, where they will participate in the Island's 300th birthday celebration, staging a Fiesta Flamenca. Mr. Prol then will proceed to Hyannis, where he will join the teaching staff of the Cape Cod Conservatory of Music.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Scott has as week end guests Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wilkes of Forrest Hills, L. I.

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Mrs. Barbara Waterman of Langworthy Ave. last week entertained 20 of her co-workers at the American Thermos Products Co. with a cookout at her shore-front property off Noyes Ave.

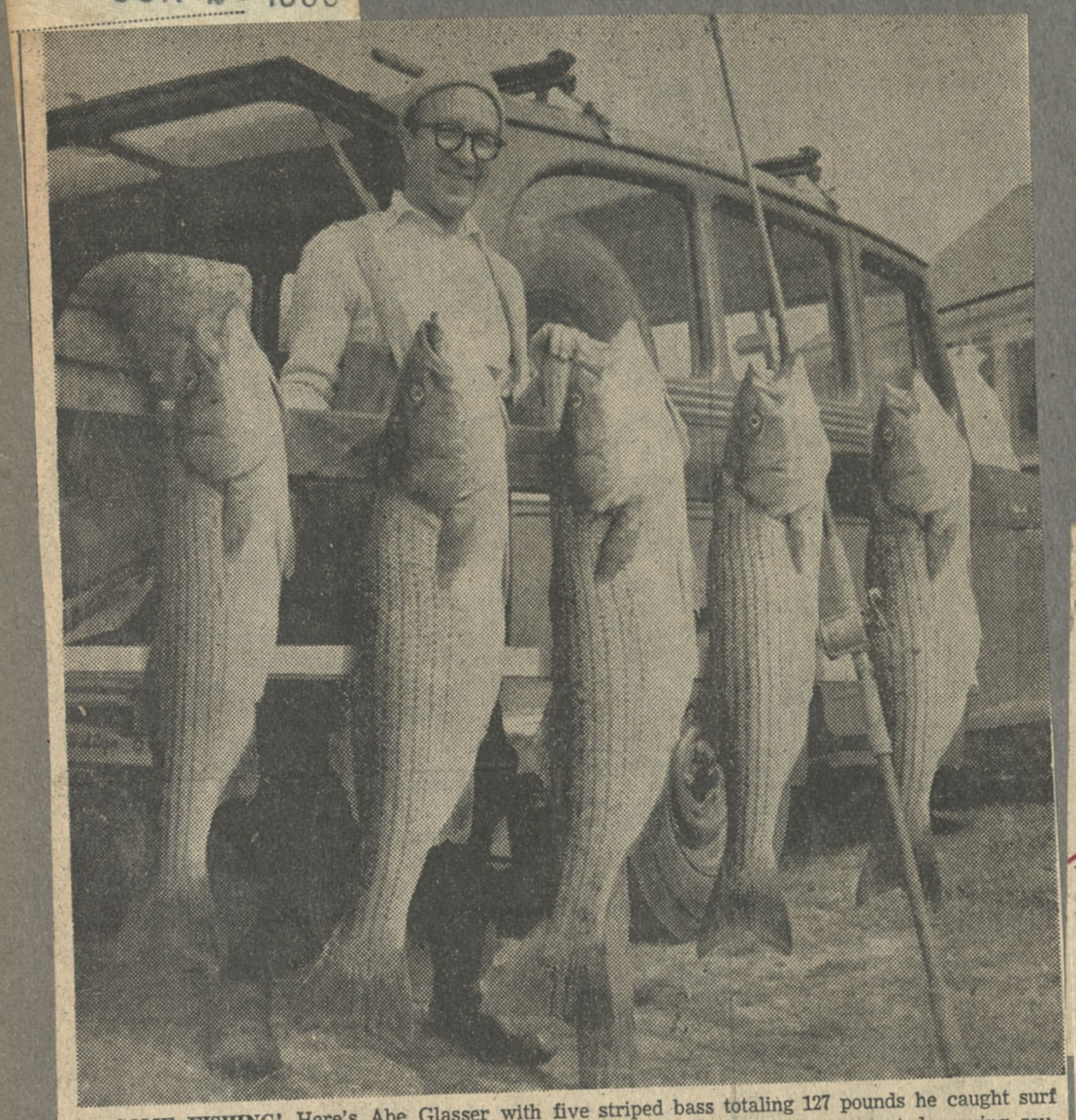
Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Conklin had as holiday guests their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Al Conklin, and children, Patricia and Casey of Cheshire, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gallant of Manchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Densmore and children, Carol, Charles, Mark and Heather, spent the week end cruising on the Sound aboard their boat, the Donna D.



SOME FISHING—Here's Abe Glasser at Nantucket Island with five striped bass to ing 127 pounds he caught surf casting off Great Point with a big plug for a lure. Strip started running several days ago in surf off this island 30 miles off the coast. B weighed (l. to r.) 22, 30, 32, 23, and 20 pounds. (AP Wirephoto

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Outnumbered

Nantucket, Mass. — (UP) — Nantucket Island, off Cape Cod, has more bicycles than people. There are only 3,500 residents but 10,000 bicycles.

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Nantucket Set For Its 300th Birthday Party

By DON GUY

NANTUCKET, Mass. (AP)—This little island is rocking if not rolling today on the eve of it's 300th birthday. A whale of a clam bake is set for tomorrow noon instead of the usual birthday party.

Exactly three centuries ago tomorrow the island was purchased for 30 pounds and a couple of beaver hats. The deed from Thomas Mayhew is still on file in Albany, N.Y. Nantucket was formerly part of the New York colony.

In recent years Nantucket has threatened to cast itself adrift from the rest of the United States, especially when mainlanders think up some new kind of tax. However all is harmony now and the islanders hope they will top the 100,000 visitors they had last summer.

Thirty miles off the coast of Massachusetts, Nantucket is only about 15 miles long. The islanders once subsisted on whales from the oceans of the world. Now they depend on the summer tourist trade.

Approximately 800 guests, including 100 Massachusetts legislators, have been invited to tomorrow's clam bake.

The islanders are so busy with its summer activities that the birthday committee found they couldn't hire enough waitresses so they are importing them.

Even extra clams and lobsters had to be brought in. Visitors had already eaten up the local supply.

But the crowning blow was when the bakemaster decided he couldn't find the right kind of rocks on Nantucket.

In case you aren't up on your clam bake cuisine, hot rocks are used to cook the lobsters and clams in holes banked with seaweed.

Bakemasters claim you can't use the same rocks twice. They lose their heat retaining quality.

Nantucket, not willing to quarry its quaint stone walls, imported 12-tons of rocks.

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Nationwide News Briefs

NEWARK, N.J. (AP)—Just after several dozen men working on a pier left for a coffee break, a 65-ton pile driver crashed through the structure Tuesday. The accident injured two men.

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Trucks with tandem trailers may now operate on the New York Thruway. They will pay double tolls of 10 cents a mile.

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300th Birthday Celebration Was Officially Opened Last Saturday

Birthday events celebrating the 300th year were officially begun last Saturday, June 20, with the "royal" greeting given visitors arriving on the noon and 2:30 steamships, and at the airport. Over 300 passengers came ashore at Steamship Wharf to the welcoming strains of the Nantucket School Band. Miss Marjorie Bartlett, in old-fashioned costume, welcomed airport arrivers and passed out Birthday Event schedules.

Nantucket's Dr. Will Gardner received the first piece of birthday cake which was available for everyone through the generosity of Drake's Cake, the large New England Commercial bakery firm. That company donated 2,700 pieces of old-fashioned pound cake for the celebration. Extras will be given out at various times throughout the summer.

At the Wharf, Carol King and Sally Ingram, dressed in Quaker Girl fashion, distributed the cake from their baskets. Quite a few Nantucketers were out for the occasion and some ladies appeared in old-fashion attire to add to the antiquity of the scene.

In Town, "minstrels" Dave and Herta Marshall, and their children,

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committee office at the corner of South Beach and Broad Strets. Mr. George Jones is Committee chairman. Local representative of Newsome and Company at the office is Mrs. Marie Cloud. Office assistant will be Mrs. Maribeth Ingram. Office hours are from noon to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Due to a last-minute cancellation by an off-island band group, the July 4 parade will not take place. However, the program of fireworks will go on as scheduled.

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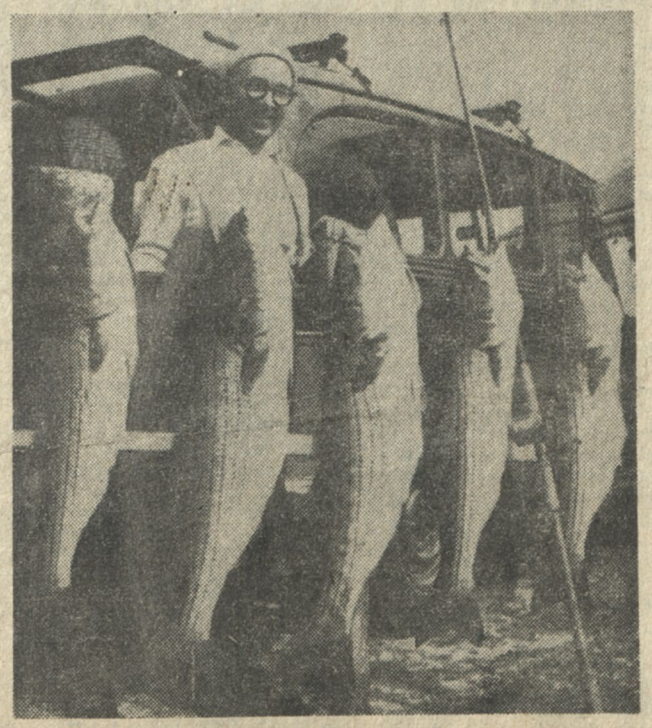


STRIPER STAR — Abe Glasser is a happy and proud fisherman after bringing in five striped bass totaling 127 pounds while surf fishing at Nantucket Island.

Tribune (e)
LAWRENCE, Mass.
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Afield with the Sportsman

By PAUL WILMARTH



NANTUCKET ISLAND—Abe Glasser picked up five stripers which had a total weight of 127 pounds. He caught the quintet surf casting at Great Point with a big plug for a lure. The point is located 30 miles off the coast. The bass weighed, left to right: 22, 30, 32, and 20 pounds.
AP Wirephoto

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NANTUCKET IS 300

NANTUCKET, Mass. (AP) — This island off the coast of Massachusetts, once a famous whaling base, will celebrate its 300th birthday Thursday with a big clambake. The island, purchased in 1659 from Thomas Mayhew, was formerly part of the New York colony.

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Enterprise & Times (e)
BROCKTON, Mass.
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Island of Charm

THINGS ARE HAPPENING down on that delightful little island with the crisp, New Englandy sounding name, Nantucket.

Nantucket is observing its 300th birthday. And, in proper style, stretching right through until Sept. the 16th.

It will be a summer of special events for this quaint island, 30 miles out to sea, and they will include everything from today's giant clambake to an old-fashioned fireman's muster in August.

Like so many others, we enjoy a ferry boat ride to Nantucket and a stay on the island itself. The cobblestoned streets go back to the great whaling days of the island; the island's moors are hauntingly beautiful.

Nantucket even has an Easy street, and how well we know it. For, during a holiday there, we wired back a column saying "If you want to live the rest of your life on Easy street, come on down here!"

A printer's error made it East street, and the invitation fell flat.

Anyway, we wish Nantucket a birthday party that will do justice to its many charms.

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TO NOTE 300TH YEAR

NANTUCKET, Mass., July 1— (AP) This island off the coast of Massachusetts, once a famous whaling base, will celebrate its 300th birthday tomorrow with a big clambake. The island was purchased in 1659 from Thomas Mayhew. It was formerly part of the New York colony.

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HERE'S ABE GLASSER with five striped bass totaling 127 pounds he caught surf casting at Great Point, Nantucket Island, Mass., with a big plug for a lure. Stripers started running 30 miles off the coast. Bass weighed (left to right) 22, 30, 32, 23 and 20 pounds. — AP Photo.

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Villager & Transcript
NEWTON, Mass.
Weekly Independent
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Express (e)
PORTLAND, Me.
Independent Republican
Circ. 28,236
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Nantucket Got Valuable 'Snowballs' In Sea Mishap

NANTUCKET, Mass. (UPI) — Nantucket celebrates its 300th birthday tomorrow with a still vivid memory of the big birthday present that came floating in on the tide 40 years too soon.

There were no dignitaries on hand then—no bands blaring and no speeches. Folks just stood on the beaches and watched openmouthed.

The ocean was dotted with little white blobs. Off the northeast tip of the island the British steamer Gaelic was fast aground on a sand bar.

In an attempt to float her, the crew had dumped about 900 tons of coconut oil. Upon hitting the icy water—it was a cold day in March —the oil hardened and formed blobs the size of snowballs.

The islanders gathered them up by the basket, wagon and truckload. Stored in cool cellars the balls remained congealed while the town fathers pondered their situation.

LIGHTS BURN LATE

The lights burned late in the red brick town hall for nights on end. At last someone struck on an idea:

Coconut oil makes good soap with caustic soda. The word was passed around and the islanders bought up every barrel of caustic soda on the nearby Massachusetts and Rhode Island mainland.

But there was not nearly enough caustic soda to use up all the coconut oil and the cellars were still bulging with the snowballs which turn liquid and rancid in the summer heat.

Just about then, the story goes, the ship's insurance men showed up. If the islanders tried to sell the oil they would be arrested, the men from the mainland warned.

But the Nantucketers, a sturdy lot with a fine contempt for mainlanders laughed off the threat. The island jail, they pointed out, held but two persons.

Eventually, the oil was loaded on two steamers and hauled to New York. Some say it was sold by the islanders for $10,000 to the big soap makers.

Then again there are those who say the snowball harvesters "didn't get much of anything."

Either way, it was a nice birthday present while it lasted.

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News (e)
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IT IS SAID

That Bernard Goldstein of Warren ave., popular market owner, will be a candidate for the Council from Ward 7.

That a number of local visitors to Nantucket joined in the 300th birthday celebration of the Cape Cod island Thursday.

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Won His Stripes



(AP Wirephoto)

BIG STRIKE of five stripes bass is displayed by Abe Glasser, who caught the beauties totaling 127 pounds at Great Point off Nantucket where the sea beauties started running in the surf several dayso ago.

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News (e)
FRAMINGHAM, Mass.
Independent
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Nantucket Celebrates 300th Anniversary

NANTUCKET, July 3 (UPI) — This historic island community, recovered today from a mammoth 300th birthday celebration hampered only slightly by bad weather.

The islanders took the adverse elements in stride Thursday but arrival of a host of VIP's was delayed by dense fog which blanketed sea lanes and airways.

A huge seaside clambake for 500 and a series of other events, not the least of which was the birth of another islander, went on as scheduled. Costumes, feasts and the familiar fog toasted the "little grey lady of the sea."

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SOMERSET, Mass.
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Nantucket's notable Tercentenary, with an assist from summer weather, reminds me of my boyhood Nantucket friend, Capt. Gardner, and a bit of Yankee ingenuity I once saw him use. Someone had laid a heavy wrench on the open top of a barrel of black tar. The tar had softened in the sun and let the wrench sink out of sight except for its wooden handle. You'd think nobody could possibly pull that wrench out. But Capt. Gardner set up a tackle over the barrel. He hitched one end of a rope to the wrench handle, passed the rope through a pulley block, and hung a heavy weight on the other end. By sunset the weight had pulled the wrench out of the tar. A good example, in a small way, of the Yankee ingenuity which has kept Nantucket, a prosperous little continent for 300 years.

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Sunday Advertiser
BOSTON, Mass.
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WBZ-TV To Tell Of Nantucket

In commemoration of Nantucket's Tri-Centennial celebration, WBZ-TV's "Dimensions" program will present "The Story of Nantucket Whaling" today (Sunday) from 9:30 to 10 a. m. on Channel 4.

Hostess Betty Adams will interview Edward Stackpole, curator of the Mystic Seaport Museum and former president of the Nantucket Historical Ass'n. Stockpole will describe life aboard a whaling vessel, in the days when the industry was founded in Nantucket, and the methods used in catching whales.

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Vineyard Gazette
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Words, Not Deeds

Nantucket, now celebrating its 300th anniversary, is the subject of complimentary resolutions introduced into the House of Representatives in Washington by four Massachusetts congressmen, including our own, Hastings Keith. The resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Among other things the House of Representatives endorsed the contributions of Nantucket to the founding and growth of the nation; praised the "feats of her sons"; extolled that island as "one of the most unique and historic places in the United States"—and so on.

In view of these fine and resounding words, itsn't it odd that Nantucket, any more than the Vineyard, can't get a plugged nickel, a kind word, or a moment's decent consideration for her plight in the Steamship Authority mess?

Nantucket Crafts Natural to Island

By Carolyn F. Hummel
Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Nantucket, Mass.

When most New England towns turn back the clock and try to recapture the early American atmosphere for a special occasion, the result is ually "quaint." But Nantucketers are an exception.

Dressed in colonial garb and working at handicraft they look natural. Perhaps it looks natural because it is, for them.

Several of the islanders spend their time weaving, sewing, modeling, or painting for a hobby or for business. Even Sheriff Nelson Dunham is a woodworker and restores furniture.

Fitting into this pattern of a Nantucketer is Miss Aletha Macy, a descendant of Thomas Macy, one of the original settlers here.

Miss Macy is known for the whales, sea gulls, and portraits which she carves out of whale's teeth, imported from Norway. These either decorate straw pocketbooks, handwoven by Nantucketer Jose Reyes, or are mounted on a panel or made into pins.

Recent Talent

But this carving which absorbs all of Miss Macy's working hours is a recently developed talent.

Until five years ago she had been a woodworker, primarily making reproductions of early American furniture.

"When I was very small I used to get my father's hammer and drive nails into everything—the floor and sometimes the furniture," Miss Macy related. "So when I was 11 years old my parents sent me to learn cabinet-making with Lincoln J. Seeley. I worked for him for more than 35 years.

"I started by painting sailor boy faces," she continued. These small wooden figures are used on weather vanes.

"Then I made a Martha Washington mirror, some grandmother clocks, and a tambour desk that is worth between $800 and $900," she said. Miss Macy's own home is furnished with several of her tables and mirrors.

Hard Taskmaster

Mr. Seeley was a hard taskmaster. "He insisted our work had to be right or it wasn't any good," his pupil said.

After Mr. Seeley passed on in 1950, Miss Macy continued working in wood, modeling reliefs as well as furniture. In 1951 she carved in relief "The Last Indian of Nantucket," from a photograph. This was recently bought by Mrs. George Carlisle, and will hang in the Nantucket Historical Society.

Much of the craftswoman's time is spent in her workshop, Ivory of the Sea, but she does find time to enjoy being a Macy.

One of the activities planned for the Nantucket 300th anniversary celebration was a series of family reunions of the nine original settlers. Two weeks ago 196 Macys, from all over the country, came to the island.

"We enjoyed seeing cousins we had never met and had fun noting a Macy resemblance. We felt like one big happy family," Miss Macy described. Some of the Macys came from California.

"But I don't like going away very much," the Nantucketer confided. "I haven't been away for four years and that was when I went to New Bedford to get some books on whaling at the museum."

The crafts and activities which are representative of early Nantucket, many of which are still carried on today, will be demonstrated at the Main Street fete on Aug. 11. At that time the cobblestoned Main Street will be closed to traffic and booths and festivities will take over.

Connecticut Sets Records

Connecticut has the highest ratio of telephones per person in the United States, and more aircraft engines are manufactured in Connecticut than anywhere else in the United States.

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BROCKTON, Mass.
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Brief Chat of the Shoe City

...Based on all the new housing and various projects Brockton's population should be at the 70,000 mark in a few years. Thousands of new residents have come from Boston and the towns to help swell the city's rolls. And all are welcome.

...Nearly a third of all people in Brockton were listed as being on vacations last week. This is the figuring of the Mass. division of employment security, which keeps track of such things. And the city went right on operating smoothly.

..Brockton in general would not like to see Rocky Marciano go back into the ring to meet the new champion, Ingemar Johansson. Rocky must be all set financially and he could gain little prestige by beating Johansson and he could lose a lot by getting a beating.

...Hard to understand why milk prices went up in the Brockton area and went down in other places. It is hard to understand the entire milk price situation at best.

...Francis T. Halligan, Jr., has made considerable progress with the Railway Express Agency since leaving Brockton some years ago. He has been appointed general manager of the western division, a position of considerable responsibility.

...Just a friendly nod towards Nantucket, a neat little island celebrating its 300th birthday anniversary. Brockton is happy over all the Nantucketers who have come to make this a thriving community. How about taking a trip to the isle to help celebrate the big event?

VACATION TRAVEL

300-Year-Old Lady

If Nantucket Island isn't herself these days, who can blame her? It isn't every day you get to celebrate the 300th anniversary of your birth, and Nantucket is doing just that.

Islanders are going all out to make the occasion one to be remembered. Many are even dressing the part—appearing in 18th century clothes to add to the old-fashioned atmosphere. More than one delighted visiting dignitary has been met at the island's modern airport by a hoop-skirted and bonneted woman and male counterpart sporting whaler's attire and a grown-for-the-occasion beard.

There's a cake of course. Eleven feet across and about as high—with candles that light up the night for miles around.

The islanders gave themselves another big treat for the occasion. The tab for this one was $7,000, but it was well worth the cost since it represented the importation of 40 members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. A third of the island's 3,500 permanent residents heard the music, and most agreed they wouldn't wait another 300 years before they did it again.

There was a monster clambake, and even a dense fog couldn't keep the crowds away, as more than 500 happy souls made short work of the seafood specials prepared on top of 12 tons of steaming, handpicked stones. Another 5,000 were treated to a giant fireworks display—the largest gathering so f[illegible] the island's four-month



GLIMPSES OF PAST. Nantucket women dress in costumes of early 1800's to provide old-time atmosphere for 300th birthday celebration.

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HYANNIS, Mass.
Weekly Republican
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Nantucket Island To Be Topic Of Friendly Forum

On Sundays at 7:30 p.m., the Federated Church of Hyannis is conducting Friendly Forums for the 26th successive summer. The Forums are held to present programs of interest to summer visitors and year-round residents, and further to afford a service in church on Sunday night.

Last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith of Cotuit presented their lecture on "God's Handiwork in the Seasons" before the largest Forum audience so far this summer. People acclaimed the lecture as one of the finest they had ever attended.

Previous lectures this summer have included "Your Cape Cod" by Harold Borns, and "The Plimouth Plantation" by Miss Nancy Davies Deshazo.

Arrangements are being made for pictures to be shown of Nantucket this Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Nantucket is celebrating its Tercentenary at this time and such a lecture is timely.

The Rev. Carl F. Schultz has announced that arrangements have been made for the Sundays in August to include "Gardens in Australia and New Zealand" by Harold Knowlton; "A Travelogue in Florida" by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Edwards; "Land of the Mormons" by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ruby; one further program to be announced, and the Scottish Friendship Service Aug. 30. All faiths are most cordially welcome.

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LITTLE BIG SHOT — Jimmy Briard, 3, shows he can pose like the adults with striped bass as large as he is at Nantucket Island, Mass., yesterday. Jimmy didn't catch the 34-pounder. It was caught from boat skippered by his father. (AP Wirephoto)

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Standard-Times (e)
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Anniversary Program Set

Nantucket Lists Celebration Plans

Special to The Standard-Times

NANTUCKET, July 25 — No events designed to draw large crowds of tourists will be included in the 300th anniversary celebration programs to be held next year.

The plans will be centered around bringing the type of persons who will be interested in the charm and dignity which are Nantucket's heritage and efforts will be made to attract seminars, conventions and business conferences during the months of June through September.

These decisions of the 300th Anniversary Steering Committee, headed by Chairman George W. Jones, were announced following a meeting at which Paul Newsom and Mrs. Carrie Cloud, of Newsome Company, of Boston, planning consultants for the celebration, were present.

In his statement Chairman Jones said: "Emphasis has been placed on the fact that next year's celebration will not be a series of noisy, carnival-type events. All the plans are aimed towards keeping the observance in the tradition of Nantucket, with items of special interest to those who are interested in music, art and history.

"The major events of the celebration will be concerts, special art exhibits, a whaling seminar and observances of cultural interest."

Mr. Jones also announced the definite program arranged for July 2, 1959, the actual anniversary of the signing of the deed from the Indians granting the island to the white men, has been arranged.

He said invitations will go out to the governors of both Massachusetts and New York, U. S. senators and congressmen, State senators and representatives and many other Federal, State and municipal dignitaries.

The anniversary day program will begin at 11 a. m. with a band concert by a military band and will be concluded with an Air Force air show at 2:30 p. m.

The program is as follows: 11 a. m., concert by military band; 11:30, opening remarks, general chairmen; 11:35, re-enactment of landing of first settlers in 1659; 11:50, greeting by chairman of Board of Selectmen; 11:55, remarks, governor of Massachusetts; 12:05 p. m., introduction of out-of-State government officials; 12:15, presentation of gifts to Nantucket; 12:30, social half-hour; 1, clambake, band music; 2:30, Air Force air show.

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Greetings to Nantucket on Her 300th Birthday

Nantucket is busy celebrating its 300th birthday, with parades, fireworks, music, dancing in the streets, speeches and similar paraphernalia of festivity, remembering the settlement in 1659 of Christopher Macy and his small party in what they originally called Sherburne.

Nantucket need not dress itself in flag and bunting for its tercentenary. The adornments of nature make drab the manufactured gaieties for the occasion. The sweep of the white beach at Surfside, the rollers coming in from Spain at 'Sconset, the yellow gorse on the moors, the crescent of the harbor, the sun striking on the golden dome of the church, the eye-filling window-boxes in the lovely old houses along the town's narrow streets—these require no decoration for a birthday party.

Nantucket is a museum-piece, a standing recollection of how our ancestors lived. From the great mansions along Main Street to the weather-beaten cottages, good taste and simple dignity stand out. They are preserved today because during the period of national bad taste after the Civil War, poverty-stricken Nantucket had not the money to build in the then modern—and horrible—manner and had to make do with the homes of its ancestors, today a glory of the island.

Nantucket had lost out in the whaling trade to New Bedford a couple of decades before the Civil War; the town had only a memory of her great ships that explored the world and, in the words of Herman Melville, "in all seasons and all oceans declared everlasting war with the mightiest animated mass that has survived the flood; most monstrous and most mountainous."

The island took its wealth and sustenance out of the seas. A poor place to farm, Nantucket was a jumping off place for its web-footed sons to chase the whale. If New Bedford had not emerged superior in competition for whale oil, Nantucket would have gone down anyway when Col. Titus Drake brought up oil 100 years ago this year in Pennsylvania.



Nantucket's North Wharf

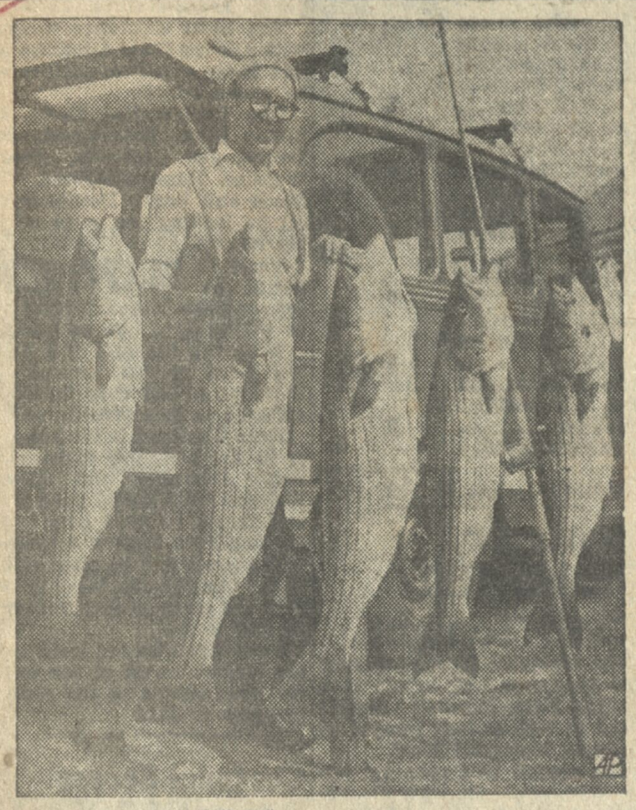
Providence always had close ties with Nantucket. Speaking of the colonial period, Prof. James B. Hedges, writing of the Browns of Providence, said: "In prewar days no spot on the earth's surface had been more important to the Browns than Nantucket; and with no other place had their business connections been so numerous." The first trust and monopoly in America, the spermaceti candle combination, with the firm of Nicholas Brown and Company at its center, used whale oil purchased in Nantucket from the Starbucks, Rotches, Macys and Coffins. Then Nantucket, like Providence, was a great Quaker center; Nantucket Quakers came to the annual meeting in Rhode Island and their children to Moses Brown School.

With these ties of the past, Providence, now into its 400th cycle, wishes a happy 300th birthday to Nantucket.

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STRIPER-STAR — Abe Glasser is a happy and proud fisherman after bringing in five striped bass totaling 127 pounds while surf fishing at Nantucket Island.

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NANTUCKET MAY LOSE ANTIQUE

Island Firetruck, Only 32 Years Old, Called Unsafe

NANTUCKET, Mass. (AP) — Nantucket, celebrating its 300th anniversary this summer and rich in antiques, may be forced to give up one of them any time now.

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles refuses to approve the use of Nantucket's venerable ladder truck on the streets because the brakes of the vehicle, bought in 1927, are defective.

Nantucketers, who refuse to consider something only 32 years old as very antique, have been trying without success to have the brakes repaired. But service men say they can't get repair parts.

The voters rejected a town meeting proposal to appropriate $28,500 for a piece of apparatus with a new hydraulic aerial ladder. But with several large hotels on the island an extension ladder is considered a necessity.

Selectman Walter S. Barrett, a regular fire department driver, says enforced use of the ladder truck in an emergency would jeopardize the driver's life. The select-

men will discuss the problem ne week.

Meanwhile, local wags on thi natucially minded island are sug gesting augmenting the truck' braking system with an anchor fo emergency use.

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LITTLE MAN, BIG FISH — Three-year-old Jimmy Briard has seen so many adults posing with big striped bass at Nantucket Island, Mass., he wants to show he can pose with the big fish, too. Jimmy didn't catch this 34-pounder which is bigger than he is. But he wished he had. The fish was caught from the boat, Sea Mist, skippered by his daddy, Capt. Jack Briard last week.—AP Photo.

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MANCHESTER, N. H.
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Nantucket Birthday

NANTUCKET, Mass. — (UPI)—Nantucket Island, 30 miles off the Massachusetts coast, is celebrating its 300th birthday this year.

In 1659, the island was sold by Thomas Mayhew to 11 Massachusetts men eager to leave a life of intolerance. The price was "30 pounds of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife."

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...lled the lake.

The steamship "Savannah," first to cross the Atlantic, was partly owned and captained for a time by Robert Inott of Nantucket Island. This year marks the 300th birthday of Nantucket.

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Bikes Outnumber Cars On Nantucket Island

by Sheila C. O'Shea

The man who lives on Nantucket is by definition an islander—and a transportation expert. He's unsual if he doesn't memorize the steamboat schedule or know when the airplanes are fogged out. Familiar to him are idiosyncrasies of Northeast Airlines, the politics of the Steamboat Authority are table talk, for the common carriers con trol the life of the Island.

If the planes are grounded and the steamer doesn't make port, there are no daily newspapers, no letters, more important, no bread. Repeated are the days of World War II rationing when housewives scrambled for scarce items. The woman who isn't at the First National when the loaves are delivered from Steamboat Wharf goes home and bakes her own.

Transportation is an inner-inner-island matter, too and wheels dominate the twisting streets. Once they were the drays rumbling over the cobble stonepavements. Today they are bicycles and automobiles. Not many years ago a great controversy raged on Nantucket. Should automobiles be allowed on the Island? They were, but the wise driver knows two things: a small car is island-sized and courtesy always pays. Motorists are exceedingly polite, halting at intersections whether a stop sign is posted or not, but in fairness to the barrelling drivers of Vermont it should be admitted that courtesy is self-preservation. If the cars didn't stop, they'd clobber each other to bits.

Thin Lanes

The unpatterned, narrow lanes of Nantucket are a challenge for even a Volkswagen and ludicrous is the driver trying to maneuver his long station wagon from a lane onto a street. For that reason, and because cycling and islands have a natural affinity for one another, bicycles outnumber cars on Nantucket. Cycling over the heathered moors or bumping along cobblestoned Main Street is romantic but jarring, yet so intricate is the one-way street system in downtown Nantucket that for short hauls bicycling or even walking is faster and less nerve wracking than driving.

Everyone on an island but a philosopher is conscious of whether he can leave the spot of land surrounded by the sea. Whether his purse or his boss would allow him to or not is irrelevant. He wants to feel free, and freedom means unlimited travel even though the world is round and eventually he ends where he began. When the ocean encircles a man, he hungers to cross the waters to the mainland. But it's also man's contrary nature when he's on the continent to take to the sea. And that is how islands are discovered.

Misty

When the fog rolls in from the harbor and the horns sound steadily in the night, the philosopher and her hermit draw the mists closer for nature throws up a soft, enticing and insidious cloud that postpones for one more day arrivals and departures, change and death, and in immobility is eternity.

But only for a moment. At dawn the sun lifts out of the sea, the mists burn away, wheels rumble once more, the world turns again.

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Other Editors

NANTUCKET & VERMONT: SURE WE CAN DO IT

Editor Bill Slator
Addison Independent

Along with a group of Massachusetts editors and publishers the editor and his wife helped to inaugurate the 300th anniversary festivities of Nantucket Island. The Nantucket residents seemed to think it very appropriate that a Vermonter was in the party in view of the forthcoming 350th anniversary observance of the discovery of Lake Champlain and it didn't seem to make any difference that the Slators were merely guests.

From the moment of our docking, after a tension-filled three-hour voyage through a dense fog until we embarked Sunday afternoon the Nantuckians did their best to provide hospitality of the Vermont type. There are only about 3500 year-round residents on the island but a month from now there will be 18,000 plus. The plus is the unknown segment of tourists the Nantucket Chamber of Commerce hopes to lure to the Atlantic summer resort to help commemorate its anniversary.

Sightseeing, a visit to the whaling museum, a sail on the brigatine bark "Yankee" recently returned from a round the world cruise, chats with natives, summer people and fellow newspapermen filled the program between excellent meals and restful sleep. There were some rocking chair cruises interspersed with fish talk and the general [illegible] are small newspapers, not to mention paper, ink, labor and equipment spiraling.

. . . After scanning the long and detailed list of activities designed by Nantuckians to lure an extra number of "summer people" to their delightful and historic island we wonder if Vermonters are really ready for the Champlain program slated to get underway only a few weeks from now. If tiny Nantucket can do it, then Vermont certainly can.

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Judge at Nantucket Flower Show

Mrs. Alexander Hunter of Tower Hill, Edgartown, and Mrs. Samuel B. Mays of the Charlotte Inn, were judges at the Flower Show in Nantucket on July 10. Madame Yoneo Arai, a frequent visitor to Edgartown, was also a judge. Nine interesting Nantucket homes were open to the public, with arrangements by members of the Nantucket Garden Club in each one. While the homes and gardens were open, unique kitchens were featured.

Both Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Mays are members of the Garden Club of America and have been frequent judges of flower shows throughout New England. Other Edgartown residents attending the Nantucket Flower Show were Mrs. R. O. H. Hill and Mrs. Houlder Hudgins.

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By Bill Moiles

New Benchley Book Would Be Welcomed

JUST FOR our records, can anyone tell us exactly when jazzy background music began replacing plots in the TV mystery shows?

Whenever it was, the switch is by now fairly complete.

WHEN WE see a man or boy out on the Common after a rain, concentrating fiercely and manipulating flashlight and tin can in a search for night crawlers, we find it difficult to think of him as a representative of the race that has high hopes of shooting beyond the stars.

One doesn't expect to see a potential astronaut pouncing on unwary worms—and looking so self-satisfied and triumphant when he traps one.

IF YOU go to Nantucket this summer for that 300th anniversary celebration we mentioned the other day, don't bother looking for camp sites.

The island doesn't have any. And it seems to us we read somewhere that it doesn't have any motels, either. It's a high state of civilization out there.

Peaceful Nantucket

HARMONY has been restored to the beautiful island of Nantucket, once the whaling capital of the world. No longer do the islanders wish to cast themselves off from the mainland as they did a few years back when they sought to install the Duke of Windsor as their governor.

In happy fact, Nantucket is presently so peaceful that President Eisenhower has been invited to be the special guest at its 300th birthday a month hence.

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ARTIST'S WALK: Summer visitors look over paintings on Artist's Walk, Nantucket.

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So now, 300 years after the formal settlement of the outer island, the day is being memorialized. There's always a lot of talk about the islanders and their insular ways. They might have certain traits that are rare, but not odd.

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NANTUCKET READY FOR SERVICE CUTS BUT LAW FORBIDS

New Bedford Law Affects Authority's Effort to to Pare Expense

The so-called New Bedford boat law, which seemed fairly certain of repeal until the recent action of the Dukes County Selectmen's Association in asking no change in legislation affecting the Steamship Authority this year, will prevent curtailment of boat service to Nantucket next winter, if the law is complied with.

At a meeting of the Authority in Boston on Wednesday it was indicated that Nantucket would accept winter service of a boat three times a week and cancellation of the Sunday boat to that island. The elimination of the Sunday boat alone would save $109,000 and perhaps much more, according to Authority members, for it would dispense with much overtime pay.

But the 1956 law enacted under the pressure of New Bedford interests, provides that daily service must be provided to all ports except Oak Bluffs, throughout the year. Therefore, even if Nantucket should assent to curtailment by a gentleman's agreement, a court proceeding by any ten citizens could compel daily service.

They Pulled Out the Rug

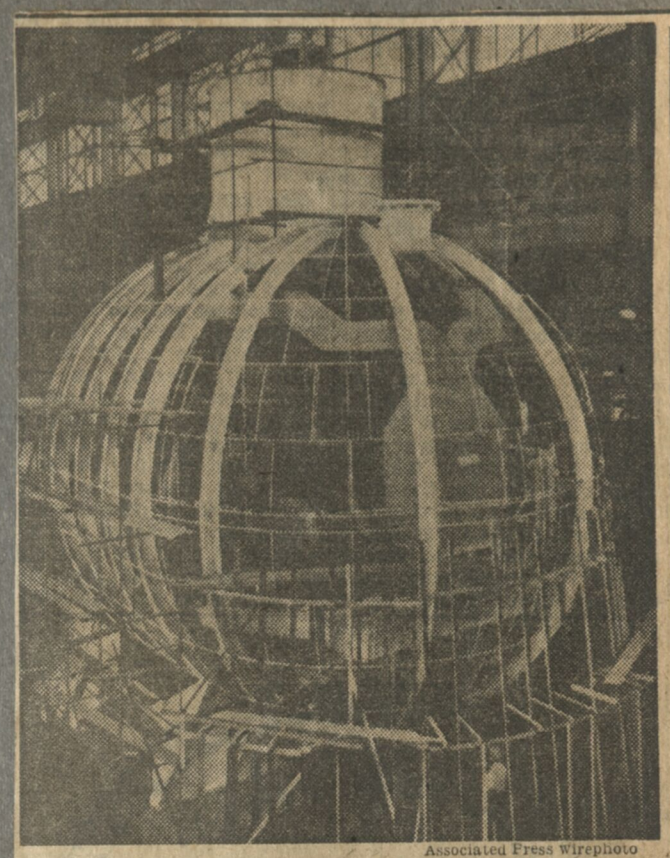
Rep. Joseph A. Sylvia has sought repeal of the 1956 law, and with a favorable report of the committee on transportation and stronger support for the Islands than they had yet been able to muster, the prospect of repeal was bright. The action of the selectmen's association, on the suggestion of S. C. Luce Jr. that everything be left to the so-called "harmony" committee, in effect "pulled out the rug". Mr. Luce had also spoken against repeal at the legislative hearing in Boston.

The 1956 law provides that the Authority "shall provide regularly scheduled ferry runs daily throughout the year of the type that will accommodate standard size trucks and semi tractor-trailer vehicles to and from the ports of New Bedford, Woods Hole, Vineyard Haven and Nantucket, and adequate ferry slips shall be constructed and maintained at said ports to facilitate and accommodate said vehicular traffic".

Under this law, the Authority can be required to operate the steamer Nantucket, regardless of cost, to and from New Bedford and Nantucket in winter as well as summer.

Notwithstanding this legal obstacle, the Authority members are to seek letters from the chambers of commerce of the Vineyard, Nantucket and New Bedford as to the

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Associated Press Wirephoto

Merchant Ship's Atom Plant

The nuclear reactor of the Savannah, first atomic-powered merchant ship, is "mocked up" at the New York Shipbuilding Co.'s yards in Camden, N. J. The vessel will be christened by Mrs. Eisenhower in launching ceremonies July 21.

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Importing Boston Symphony for $7000

Nantucket Giving Itself Expensive Birthday Gift



By DOROTHY CRANDALL

NANTUCKET, June 6—Two weeks from now Nantucket will celebrate its 300th birthday by giving itself a beautiful and expensive present.

At a cost of $7000 it is bringing 40 Boston Symphony musicians to the Island for an afternoon and evening concert on Sunday, June 21.

The event will be a Boston Symphony first — their first concert on an island in United States waters. Some years ago an ensemble of Symphony musicians played on Iceland.

"This is the biggest thing we've ever attempted. Everybody's working hard — and hoping," said one Nantucketer. He expressed the gaiety that is evident from one end of the eight-mile island to the other.

Underneath you note a small feeling of fear. Will all the $5 concert tickets be sold? The date is early, before the Summer season starts, and it will take a lot of music lovers to fill the auditorium of the new high school, built in 1955.

"A miracle's what we need," wryly commented Dr. George Folger, Nantucket physician.

Nantucketers are living a miracle now—the miracle of Spring. "Nantucket has only three seasons, Summer, Fall and Winter," is an Island truism.

But this year it was different. Warm, sunny days arrived a full month ahead of schedule, giving families a head start on gardening and sprucing-up their homes.

Everyone has made good use of this miracle of weather and the Island has taken on a new fragrance. It is a delicate blend of wild roses and fresh paint.

"Good neighbors" is the developing theme of the birthday concert and if there is time for it a Nantucketer will escort each musician on a tour of the Island.

Good cook Mrs. William Scully is chairman of the Sunday night dinner of traditional Nantucket dishes. Mrs. Dorothy Warren and a handful of eager high school girls will help serve. Table centerpieces will be native Nantucket flowers. Sixty Nantucketers have been invited to sit down to dinner with the musicians.

Mrs. Scully reviewed her menu, "The men will dig the quahogs for the chowder. My recipe is tiny cubes of salt pork, onions, potatoes and as much cream as milk. It's a good chowder. I'll make hot rolls to serve with the lobster salad." The pretty woman smiled, "Dessert is Indian pudding that takes four hours to bake. I stir it every hour and add milk if it needs it."

Boston Symphony's musical menu for the birthday concert is a blending of "compositions that span three centuries, a group pleasant to listen to," said Richard Burgin, Boston Symphony associate conductor and concert master.

The program will open with an Elizabethan Suite arranged by Sir John Barbirolli, London-born conductor of Halle Orchestra in Manchester, England. Sir John has arranged five keyboard compositions by leading composers of the time of Queen Elizabeth I.

These he has arranged for modern string instruments in the manner of Elizabethan composers, so that the music is in the spirit of early English settlers.

Concert soloist will be a Nantucketer, Miss Nancy Silsbee, a professional pianist of New York. She will play the Mozart Concerto in C Minor with the orchestra.

The program will continue with a symphony by Haydn. And for modern times the Symphony musicians will play El Amor Brujo (Love, the Sorcerer) a Spanish suite from ballet by Manuel de Falla.

Meanwhile, Nantucketers are dusting off old-time stories for the birthday party.

Grace Brown Gardner, a direct descendent of first settler Tristram Coffin and owner of one of four Island homes "that has never been sold" chuckles over Daniel Webster's visit to Nantucket.

"Webster demanded $1000 to come to the Island to try an important case. The Nantucketer who hired him agreed, if D. W. would try any other cases, at no extra charge. When D. W. left Nantucket he had earned $1500 and the islander made a profit of $500."

The retired teacher who has "taught in every grade from the first through senior college" has compiled more than 80 folders of news stories and photographs of Nantucket history.

Her proudest piece is her Grandmother Charlotte Coffin Gardner's daily diary of her voyage to the Pacific with her seafaring husband. Miss Gardner shared this diary with the Seattle Historical Society which used it to make changes in their records.

Colorful Nantucket stories are of the early 1800s when Nantucket led the nation in the whaling industry. Then her shipmasters were explorers as well as whalers.

There is the story of whaling master Timothy Folger who gave Benjamin Franklin, (his mother was born on Nantucket) data which led to the charting of the Gulf Stream. Those were the years when the handsome gray-shingled homes were built and furnished with rich mahogany furniture and fine china from far away places.

Nantucket today is a wonderful way of life for men like Clint Andrews. Fishing is his "favorite sport and business." Clint admits he can tell by the wind and the look of the water when the fish are biting, "but I can't tell another fisherman."



NANTUCKET HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA KITCHEN is where dinner for Boston Symphony will be cooked. Mrs. William Scully, center, ladling chowder, is chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Warren, at left, and high school girls will help.



CLINT ANDREWS invites Ted Williams to come to Nantucket to fish. He guarantees "the bass and blues will be biting."



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GRACE BROWN GARDNER with some of the Nantucket historical records she has collected in her "retirement project". Miss Gardner is a direct descendent of Tristram Coffin, first settler.

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THE COUNTRY STORE . . .

Vacation Paradise Near At Hand For Everyone

This being the season when most folks think about vacations, The Storekeeper has been perusing the travel advertisements and folders. From the cool fjords of Norway to the sunny beaches of Honolulu, there is something for anyone with the wanderlust.

Only trouble is that our pocketbooks cannot meet the demands of our luxurious tastes. And that set the old boy wandering about recreation and relaxation nearer home.

Then along came a features salesman who scoffed openly at the idea of anyone in Franklin County going elsewhere for a few days' rest and pleasure. Fresh from the city, he breathed deeply and proclaimed this area a paradise on earth — which it probably is to an unfortunate New Yorker.

Taking inventory, The Storekeeper was forced to admit he was silly to go elsewhere at this season. Within 30 miles a family can find practically anything it wants.

Mountains? Franklin County's hills provide some of the most magnificent vistas to be found. Try Sugarloaf, for instance. Or drive up to Rainbow Hill in Rowe for some of the most beautiful sunsets imaginable

The beach? This area has a score of them on fresh water lakes and ponds. Any one can be reached after work on a summer afternoon.

Theaters? How about Williams town, Berkshire Playhouse or Mountain Park? Then there's the new Storrowton Music Fair opening Monday on the Eastern States Exposition grounds in West Springfield.

Fishing? We have it all around us. Hiking? There are limitless possibilities. Camping out? Try Mohawk Trail state park, for example. Good eating? This area abounds in fine restaurants. Antiques? Most anywhere in the county there are treasure troves. Boating? Try our lakes and rivers.

All these things we have and close to home. A family can make a daily expedition and never duplicate the pleasures. And they can be enjoyed without the discomforts of sleeping in strange beds, drinking different water and getting lost. Sounds too good to be true but it is a fact.

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Some Difference

five pounds, 10 shillings to the hill, 4 pounds 10 to lower end and 5 pounds to upper end.

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Nantucket's 300th

Nantucket Island, accustomed to doing things in a different way, has come up with an original idea for entertaining their distinguished guests on July 2, the occasion of the official 300th birthday party.

On that day there will be a good old - fashioned New England clambake and many famous persons will be on hand to view the festivites. Nantucketers will each draw lots and be responsible for a guest — thus, the local grocer might draw the name of Richard Nixon or the governor of a New England state if all the invited guests show up. The islanders feel personal attention to each guest will assure showing Nantucket off to its best advantage.

Each family who draws the name of a distinguished guest will be charged with the responsibility of meeting the boat or plane, taking the guest to his home, showing him Nantucket, and seeing that he gets a good share of clambake to remember the day by.

The birthday party will mark the 300th anniversary of the signing of the deed to Nantucket to 11 Yankee men who set sail in open boats with their families and their livestock and set up a life that was to have an impact on the history of the whole United States.

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Mad Manhattan

Manhattans' mad millions
Do rush and they scramble
Down side streets, up broad streets
By subway and bus.
Makes no difference the hour
High noon or at dawn,
The sirens do scream
And the fire engines whistle,
While the taxis do purr
With lightening speed,
Just missing a cop directing traffic.
A blind, deaf or drunk man
About making the corner.
Manhattan's mad millions,
They never stop moving.
Down side streets, up Broad.
We wonder Oh, if ever
They take time out for God

Elizabeth A. Menzel
Greenfield

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Exactly So

Notifying WMEC of burned out street lights is a regular part of local police activity but sometimes it becomes difficult to give the repair section explicit directions as to just which bulb is out.

For example, a light reported out one recent morning was: the east light on the southeast pole in the west Main Street parking lot.

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No Hasty Waste

There's no throwing of money around at the Millers Falls Company. . .

If your voice is so filled up,
You can't sing a song;
And dark is the way,
"Lord, help me to bear it
Till Sunday", you say.

If somebody slights you,
Then passes you by;
If your heart is so broken,
There's naught but to cry;
When others are giving,
And you're not asked to pay,
"Lord, help me to bear it
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If on Sunday you go,
To the house of the Lord,
To meditate there,
And hear His good word;
There would come to your soul,

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So now, 300 years after the formal settlement of the outer island, the day is being memorialized. There's always a lot of talk about the islanders and their insular ways. They might have certain traits that are rare, but not odd.

Newport should send greetings to Nantucket on this approaching anniversary and wish the off-shore island and its people an auspicious future.

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Nantucket Notes 300th

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During the season such famous artists as Odetta, folk singer; the Claremont Quartet; Leonard Rose, cellist, and Geoffrey Holder, dancer, will perform. There will also be concerts from time to time by the Air Force bands and by Nantucket's own Community Orchestra.

Monday there will be a sheepshearing festival, a revival of an ancient custom, at Hummock Pond.

Most colorful of all the pageants will be the recreation of the Main Street Fete on Aug. 11, which will see Nantucket looking precisely as it did in the heydey of its whalers.

On Aug. 7, the USS Miller will visit the island and salute the memory of William Mooers, Nantucket ship captain whose ship "Bedford" first flew the American flag in an English port.

Throughout the summer there will be many attractions for the visitor to the famed vacation spot, 30 miles at sea. Nantucket is 45 square miles and visitors may bring automobiles with them on the daily sailings of Steamship Authority vessels from New Bedford and Woods Hole.

Visitors may tour the island easily on foot, bicycle, surrey or by auto, and will find it well worthwhile. The town itself, with its cobblestoned Main st., lined with trees and benches, preserves much of the old-time atmosphere.

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New Exhibits Bring New Interest To Island's Famed Whaling Museum

Five new major exhibits, the "whale craft shops", have been added at Nantucket's famed whaling museum, which opened for the season May 30.

There were many industries or crafts collateral to the business of whaling, some too big and extensive, such as a ship yard and a rope walk, to reproduce even on a small scale in the restricted space of a museum. But after passing through the main entrance way of the museum, the visitor will find five of the important crafts truthfully depicted each in its own shop, namely: a shipsmiths' shop; a sail loft; rigging loft; whaleboat shop, and a cooperage shop. The walls, floors, benches, etc., are all made of old wood, and the forges, furnaces, and fireplaces of old brick, sooted up as from years of use. The exhibits are the results of months of research and labor during the past winter.

The shipsmith's shop center of attraction is around the forge. Here it was that blacksmiths forged and fashioned the "irons" commonly called "harpoons"; blubber spades; hooks; knives; in fact all manner of iron work needed for the ships.

A whale boat shop shows a whale boat in the making, one-half sized, three feet in beam and 15 feet long.

This shop, as arranged, is typical of the whale boat shops in Nantucket in the golden days of whaling.

A sail loft is exhibited in the section next beyond the shipsmith shop. Prominent in this exhibit, as in every sail loft, is the sailmaker's bench, a simple, crude, low, board bench partly covered with a piece of old canvas. These benches were treated with distinct reverence and handed down traditionally from one sailmaker to another.

A rigging loft is found next beyond the sail loft for its work is closely related to the products of the latter. The rigging of a ship includes all the ropes and chains used to support or operate her sails, etc.

Returning to the museum entrance hall, one finds another new and interesting exhibit in the whaling merchant's counting room, which is located directly behind the reception desk. It is a massive old-fashioned, steel vault door and lighter door which ostensibly protects the merchant's records and valuable. Inspection shows there are two locks for which three giant bronze keys hanging by the door must be used to open the upper lock and two for the lower.

Stored for many years in Straight Wharf Warehouse, history says these doors were those of the vault of the Manufacturers and Mechanics Bank which occupied the building, destroyed in the great fire of 1946, at the northeast corner of Main and Federal Streets. Fate plays tricks despite man's best laid plans, for here was a vault which required three keys to open, with each key entrusted to a separate man, all three of whom had to be present to open it, and yet, a few months before the fire, the bank was found to be insolvent with its capital surplus and undivided profits of $130,000 vanished. The doors, however, are excellent examples of vault doors used in banks and business offices at that time.

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Nantucket Begins Tercentennial

NANTUCKET, Mass. (UPI) — This island's 300th birthday anniversary celebration officially opened Sunday with two concerts by 40 Boston Symphony musicians.

Some 1100 persons, about one-third of the island's population, turned out for the performances.

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Nantucket to Celebrate 300th Anniversary

Nantucket Island, accustomed to doing things in a different way, has come up with an original idea for entertaining their distinguished guests on July 2, the occasion of the official 300th birthday party. On that day there will be a good old-fashioned New England clambake, and many famous persons will be on hand to view the festivities. Nantucketers will each draw lots and be responsible for a guest—thus, the local grocer might draw the name of Richard Nixon or the governor of a New England state if all the invited guests show up. The islanders feel that personal attention to each guest will assure showing Nantucket off to its best advantage.

Each family who draws the name of a distinguished guest will be charged with the responsibility of meeting the boat or plane, taking the guest to his home, showing him Nantucket, and seeing that he gets a good share of clambake to remember the day by.

The birthday party will mark the 300th anniversary of the signing of the deed to Nantucket to eleven Yankee men who set sail in open boats with their families and their livestock and set up a life that was to have an impact on the history of the whole United States.

In 1672 the first whale was caught and by the late 1700's Nantucket was the whaling capital of the world, with oil from the Nantucket whalers lighting the streets of London and Paris. Whale ships sailed into foreign ports and opened them to U. S. trade long before the clipper ships. The first American flag ever to fly in English waters was the flag of the Bedford, captained by a Nantucketer.

Stark poverty assailed the tiny island when the whaling industry failed. The fine houses built by ships owners and their captains could not be changed during the period when American architecture was going through its worst time. The houses, looking exactly as they did in the early 1800's, are still in the same condition they were then, and people come from the world over to see early American architecture at its finest.

Now Nantucket is a famous resort whose chief assets are old-time atmosphere and beautiful sandy beaches with warm salt water bathing.

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KEITH Reports from Capitol Hill

Congressman Keith has introduced a resolution "to express the greetings and felicitations of the House of Representatives on the occasion of the 300th anniversary of the first settlement of Nantucket Island." John W. McCormack and Joseph W. Martin joined Mr. Keith in offering the Nantucket resolution. Mr. Keith received permission to extend his remarks in this connection in the Congressional Record.

The Ninth district representative cited Nantucket's 300 years of "contribution to the development and betterment of the colonies, the nation and the world."

He repeated what he had said earlier in Congress: "This country needs, as surely as it does the physical might that research and technology continuously furnish us, the moral and spiritual revitalizing that great events in history provide. The chornicle of Nantucket's past is a series of such events."

Congressman Keith concluded with an invitation to all his colleagues to join sponsors of the resolution in celebration of Nantucket's birthday July 2.

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Good Afternoon!

News of Our Towns

THEY GOT HIS GOAT: When several Boston University students asked Peter Gonsalves of East Falmouth whether they could borrow one of his goats, he said no.

He wasn't sufficiently sympathetic with fraternity pranks to let one of his herd go for several hours.

But the college boys wouldn't take no for an answer. One goat disappeared for a while and then turned up again unharmed.

Police, ready to act when a theft had been reported, closed the case.

WARM WATER: Why is the South Shore water warmer than that of the New Hampshire and Maine coasts?

The Falmouth Enterprise has this answer:

"Actually the Gulf Stream is 130 miles out at sea and doesn't do much to keep us warm. Our water is temperate because Cape Cod, hooked out into the sea, is turned in the right direction. Cold currents from the north flow southward until they reach the Cape and veer out to sea.

"The cold current, flowing southward and hugging the shore, is diverted and never gets in to shore to cool us off. Georges Banks, more than 100 miles to the northeast of us, also makes an undersea barrier which diverts the cold northeast water.

"These cold currents are well able to snuggle up to Maine beaches and to cool off the water as near to us as the North Shore."

SEE NANTUCKET: Bill Molles of the Worcester Telegram advises everyone who has been putting off a visit to Nantucket to make a special effort to see it this year.

This is the 300th anniversary of its settling by white men.

One thing that strikes Bill as particularly appealing on the "island of charm and dignity" is this:

"Nine o'clock curfew ringing from the South church tower is a mere reminder that friends and neighbors appreciate quiet in the late evening hours. Our closely built island community can not otherwise rest happily."

TRADITION: Middleboro or Middleborough — that was the question.

Whether 'twas best to favor the simplified spelling that appealed to so many or to follow the lines of tradition.

The Middleborough board of selectmen decided upon tradition last week as members voted to letter a sign on Center street: "Welcome to Middleborough."

RETURN OF THE NATIVE: Tommy Eccleston, who has successfully completed his first year at West Point — athletically and scholastically — came back home to pitch the Wareham Town Team to an impressive 8-1 win over Cotuit.

The comment around home was that Tommy had acquired additional poise to go with his natural pitching ability.

UMPIRE'S DECISION: Win Cushman of the Wareham Courier got a chuckle out of an incident during the Wareham-Somerset game.

It was a close play at first base and Coach Clem Spillane wanted to know whether the runner was safe or out.

There was complete silence for a moment before the base umpire from his position near second roared an answer heard by every person in the park:

"He ain't nuthin'."

FRIEND OR ENEMY? We can exist as a living person on this planet because the great sea-air engine of nature evaporates water from the ocean and returns it as rain.

But, as Dr. Joanne S. Malkus explains at Woods Hole, the engine sometimes gets out of hand. That's why we have thunderstorms and hurricanes, tornadoes and typhoons bringing death and destruction.

In the last 10 years, she has helped put together a scientific picture of how cumulus clouds formed over the ocean carry aloft the water vapor which is drawn toward the "hurricane factory" of the equator.

HAPPY ENDING: A little domestic drama took place at Bowman's pond in West Falmouth.

The heroine was a black mallard which sat on her eggs and calmly waited for motherhood. The hero was her white mate which hovered nearby to protect her and the offspring.

The villain was a mud turtle after the ducks.

Watching the drama grow in suspense were the neighbors.

Finally, loud squawks announced arrival of the baby ducks. Now they swim around the pond with mama duck in the lead.

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Ventura

Charles Ventura Reports

Nantucket Has Own Decanter

Newport and the Hamptons may get the lion's share of the party headlines this summer but the descendants of America's first sailing skippers are preparing a whale of a time for their international guests at the 300th anniversary of Nantucket Island.

Some of the facts of Nantucket's tercentennial life came to light at a party given by **Mr. and Mrs. George Vigouroux jr.** for the **Lawrence W. Millers.**

Mr. Miller, the oil magnate who runs a steamship line, a bus service and Nantucket's historic Harbor House as paying hobbies, first attracted our attention by remarking that Nantucket folks, not prospectors in Western states, were the first to strike oil in America.

He added that the **R. H. Macy** fortune and others were founded on the oil struck by Nantucket pioneers 300 years ago. "I'm speaking of whale oil, naturally," he continued with wide grin.

After telling of the Music Festival, square dances, traditional sheep - shearing and other clam bakes planned for the island's birthday during July, Mr. Miller said his friend and Nantucket neighbor, Mr. Vigouroux, was making a major contribution by bringing some of the world's finest paintings to be displayed in the Lobster Pot Gallery at old South Wharf.

"I'm not too sure George didn't contribute something even more valuable," he said, "by designing the Nantucket Whale Decanter and having it blown in Venice for the island's anniversary. Everyone who saw the sample decanter aboard the Queen Elizabeth when George returned with it says it will be a collector's item."

Mr. Vigouroux told us that he designed the decanter in Murano, Italy, last month and after supervising its creation in Venice, ordered 500 for delivery at the Lobster Pot Gallery late this month.

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Olga Picot, who returned to France with her ambassadorial father, still wears the blue pearl necklace given to her by shipping heir **Peter Theodoracopulos** six months ago. Which isn't too strange, since Olga is dating Peter in Paris these days . . . Postdeb friends of **Wendy Vanderbilt** insist Wendy makes the sandwiches that **Priscilla Alden** takes along for picnics with **Tony Berns.** Miss Vanderbilt and Miss Alden are good friends and the former is a wizard in the kitchen, which makes the story sound plausible. Miss Alden obviously doesn't need culinary ability for her supper stops at the outdoor garden of the Henry IV restaurant, with Mr. Berns . . . **Adele, Lady Beatty,** the former **Adele O'Connor,** of New York, is the magnet that draws movie director **Stanley Donen** from Paris to London every week end . . . **Arthur Loew jr.** of the theater clan and **Debbie Power,** widow of cinema star **Tyrone Power,** are rumored to be serious . . . Even if **Max Hess** didn't realize a dime in royalties from his book, "Aunt Tuddy," he'd be sure of $30,000 worth of business generated by the book. Canvas millionaire **Fred Chandler** was so intrigued by Max's choice of title (Fred really has an aunt named Tuddy) that he motored to Allentown to meet Mr. Hess. It so happens that the latter has a department store in that city, so Mr. Chandler wound up by buying $30,000 worth of stoles, gowns and jewelry for several lady friends.



Left to right, George E. Vigouroux jr., John Philip and Lady Peel (Beatrice Lillie) aboard the Queen Elizabeth are served wine by steward from the 300th anniversary Nantucket whale decanter designed by Mr. Vigouroux in Italy.

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Nantucket To Celebrate 300th Birthday, July 2

By DON GUY

NANTUCKET ISLAND, Mass. (AP)—This onetime whaling capital of the world plans to reopen diplomatic relations with the United States this summer.

President Eisenhower has been invited to come out and help celebrate the island's 300th birthday July 2.

The Pesident has replied that he can't come for that date but hopes to visit Nantucket later in the season.

The United States is located 30 miles northwest of Nantucket Island.

Nantucket has always been cordial to visitors, especially since the slack in the whale-harpooning business, but this year they are making a special effort to be hospitable.

However, politically the seas haven't been so serene.

Nantucket folk have always looked askance at mainland foolishness like taxes. They periodically threaten to cast themselves adrift from the rest of the United States.

When the Duke of Windsor gave up his job as King of England there was a movement afoot to offer him a post as royal governor of this 15-mile-long island shaped like a lamb chop.

More recently islanders wanted to resume their colonial status as part of New York. At that time Massachusetts officials were threatening to make them buy fresh water fishing licenses to fish in their ponds.

Now the cold war has ended. The islanders—all 3,814 of them—hope you will fly, sail or swim out to visit them this summer. Every visitor will receive a piece of birthday cake and there is a summer-long program of special entertainment.

Nantucket's charm today is a perfect example of an ill wind finally blowing some good.

Over a century ago Nantucket whale ships roamed the oceans of the world and Nantucket whale oil lighted the streets of London and Paris.

The population was twice its present size. Retired whaling captains built stately homes along Main street which had been cobblestoned with ship ballast.

The whaling boom collapsed in a few years, largely because sand bars across the outer harbor built up so that heavily laden ships could not cross. New Bedford took over the whaling supremacy of the world and Nantucket entered an economic depression that lasted half a century.

But in recent years more money is made in a few months from 100,000 summer visitors than ever was harpooned on a four-year whaling voyage.

Islanders say you can't be a native if you weren't born on Nantucket. But they smile when they hear visitors of a few days sighing as they pack up to go home to the hustle-bustle of the mainland.

With tan on their faces and sand in their shoes the visitors, using island jargon, say they are going "off island" and back to "the states."

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Nantucket Celebrating 300th Anniversary

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This will be heightened during the summer when residents will wear authentic costumes of the 18th Century. All men will raise beards for the occasion.

Siaconset, or as it is better known, 'Sconset, at the eastern end of the island, was once reached by a narrow gauge railroad. It is famed for its rose-covered cottages and narrow, crooked streets.

There are endless views to paint and photograph, and art galleries and studios abound. All in all it will be well worth the trip to help Nantucket celebrate its 300th birthday.

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Editorial Quips

Ed Sullivan's TVer last night had sparkle.

As Sec. of State Herter sees it, Russia wants to wrap its Iron Curtain around all of Germany.

A Main street store sold an overcoat last Saturday. The buyer was headed for Canada and figured he might need it.

The New York Yankees are drawing more cash customers this year than last even though they're not leading the American League. Fans are funny.

Wasn't it nice to see Mr. Sun?

Nantucket is having a big summer. It's her 300th birthday and she's observing it in fine style.

This may be the last full week of steel mill operations. The strike deadline is June 30th. And negotiations for a new contract aren't getting anywhere.

When the Weatherman this morning mentioned "showers" it sounded like the record he was playing all last week. Rain, rain, rain . . .

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Nantucket Opens 300th Birthday Festivities

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300th Anniversary Events Are Listed at Nantucket

Special to The Standard-Times

NANTUCKET, Nov. 8 — The program for the 300th Anniversary Observance of the settlement of this island by the white men that already has arranged for 72 events starting on Jan. 15 and concluding on Sept. 15 has been completed.

Paul B. Newsome Company officials of Boston, have assured the Selectmen the 72 listed events are definitely arranged and work is now in progress to extend the program through October if possible as a means of extending next year's vacation season.

The celebration is expected to attract more Summer visitors to Nantucket than ever before in history, most of them people who have often heard of this quaint island, but have never visited here.

The program which will be featured by military events, parades, concerts, a historic pageant, family reunions, antique and modern plane fly-ins, dedications and horse and carriage tours of the island follows:

NANTUCKET ISLAND 300th BIRTHDAY SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL EVENTS

Jan. 15 — Start of Nantucket Birthday Card Contest. Ends Feb. 28.
April 15 — Start of special exhibit of Nantucket arts and crafts in Northeast Airlines terminals.
April 20 — Start of Nantucket exhibit in New England Council window, Grand Central Station, N. Y.
May 1 — Governor's Proclamation.
May 2 — Nantucket Night at the Boston Pops.
May 8 — "Nantucket Day" in Massachusetts public schools.
May 15—Start of Nantucket Photo Competition. Ends Nov. 15.
June 1-30 — Exhibit of Nantucket arts and crafts — National Shawmut Bank, Boston.
June 1-30 — Nantucket exhibit South Station, Boston.
June 1 — Joint resolution of State Legislature.
June 15—Street decorations and signs go up.
June 15 — Lighting of outdoor birthday cake. (t)
June 15 — Public display of congratulatory telegrams and letters.
June 16 — Press briefing.
June 20 — Opening day of reception booths at airport and boat landings. Beginning of distribution of Nantucket "endless" birthday cake.
June 20 — Start of daily guided tours.
June 20-21 — Meeting of Veteran Motor Car Club.
June 20 — Start of daily rides in horses and carriages.
June 22 — Dedication of new runway lighting system (t)
June 24 — Atlantic Fisheries Conference.
June 25-26—National Conference on Historic Districts.
June 26 — Floral tribute to Nantucket by F.T.D.A.
June 27-28—Macy Family Reunion.
June 30 — Commemorative concert Boston Symphony Orchestra (in Nantucket) (tentative)
July 1 — Dress rehearsal of birthday celebration.
July 2 — THE BIRTHDAY.
Week of July 2 — Gardner Family Reunion.
July 6 — First concert of five.
July 7 — First square dance.
July 8-10 — Coffin Family Reunion.
July 15-17 — Whaling Seminar.
July 20 — Concert.
July 21 — Square Dance.
July 24 — Visit by Navy blimp.
July 30 — Coast Guard Air-Sea Rescue demonstration.
Aug. (?) — Barnard Family Reunion.
Aug. 1-2 — Rally of Sports Car Club of America.
Aug. 3 — Concert.
Aug. 4 — Square Dance
Aug. 5-6 — Firemen's Muster.
Aug. 7-9 — Navy recognition of Nantucket's 300th brthdaiy
a) Visit of destroyer and destroyer escorts
b) Dedication of plaque to Robert Inot.
Aug. 12-14 — Whaling Seminar.
Aug. 15 — "Made In Massachusetts" Fashion Show.
Aug. 17 — Concert.
Aug. 18 — Main Street Fete.
Aug. 20-21 — Bunker Family Reunion.
Aug. 22-23 — Fly-in of Antique Airplane Association.
Aug. 25 — Square Dance.
Aug. 26-27 — Conference on "Man In Space"
Aug. 31 — Concert.
Sept. 2-3 — Conference on Water Resources.
Sept. (?) — Parade by Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.
Sept. (?) — Nantucket Commemorative Parade.
Sept. 10-11 — Meeting of Governor's Travel Advisory Committee.
Sept. 11-13 — Round-up of 99's.
Sept. 11-13 — AOPA Air Tour
Sept. 12 — CAP Fly-in.
Sept. 12-13 — Worth Family Reunion.
Sept. 12-13 — Hussey Family Reunion.
Sept. 14 — National Conference on Oceanography.
Sept. 15 — Academy of Arts and Sciences honors Maria Mitchell.
Dates undetermined — Starbuck Family Reunion, Folger Family Reunion, Swain Family Reunion, Coleman Family Reunion, Oil Industry Conference, Foreign Trade Conference, Special Flower Shows, Conference on Retirement, Conference on Area Development.

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The Massachusetts Nurserymen will feature rose beds on Boston Common and a large push-cart with African violets grown by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sonderegger of Florence. The painted background shows a view of the State House.

The Berkshire Maple Producers will make maple candy and they will demonstrate making old fashioned wooden sap buckets.

.The Mass. Poultry Assn. plans a smorgasbord with actual food and a chef to explain how to prepare and serve these poultry dishes. They will sell hard boiled eggs in egg cups.

The dairy exhibit will feature the "Milky Way" with an earth satelite loaned by the savings bonds division of the U. S. treasury. This satelite has actual working parts except that the case is transparent plastic instead of metal. The dairymen will sell milk from dispensers.

The National Cranberry association will show grading and processing equipment in operation.

The Hampden Co. Fruit Growers plan to feature Johnny Appleseed again this year. He will be in an old-fashioned kitchen setting. They will sell cider and apples.

Mass. honey will be on display and for sale. They will show two observation hives with the bees actually making honey.

Nantucket Island, which is having its 300th anniversary this year, will have a display featuring crafts, live lobsters, a beach picnic and a model of Brant Point Light.

The 4-H display will show room improvement projects—with young people actually working.

Industry will be represented by L. S. Starrett Co. of Athol showing micrometers being assembled and tested.

Live mink will be in a display sponsored by the Northeastern Mink Breeders association.

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service will have a waterfall with trout and small animals.

Handicrafts will consist of weaving demonstrations by the Hampshire Weavers and a pottery demonstration by James McKinnell of Old Deerfield.

The Massachusetts Veterinarians will show small pets—dogs and cats.

The vegetable growers will feature a tobacco barn and also vegetables being harvested from the fields.

The exhibit backgrounds, painted by John Gnatek, will show many familiar spots in Massachusetts.

The Massachusetts building is maintained and sponsored by the Mass. Dept. of Agriculture in order to promote agricultural products.

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Committee Heads Named By Sachem Of Red Men Here

Massasoit Tribe No. 2, Improved Order of Red Men, met Wednesday night when Sachem Stuart B. Johnson named his committeemen for the coming term.

Among those named were: P.S. Henry Terrieo, chairman of entertainment; P.S. Robert Laventure, Public relations; P.S. Hyman Margolis; bowling; P.S. Morris Laventure, supper committee and Alfred Govoni and Neil Larivee, financial committee.

The local tribe has a busy and varied schedule for the rest of September. This weekend, two important events will be taking place Members of the Red Men will participate in the anniversary celebration at Nantucket Island along with Wauiminet Tribe No. 158 of Nantucket. Also taking place this weekend will be the annual pilgrimage to Mohawk Park in Charlemont. This will include an out-of-doors entertainment and a parade.

Other events scheduled for the month are as follows: Monday, Sept. 14 — Raising of Chiefs at Minnetuxet Tribe 17 of Middleton; Sept. 19 — Public Raising of-Chiefs at Wahpatuck Tribe No. 54 in Wakefield; Sept. 22 — Raising of Chiefs of Nanapashemet Tribe 82, by members of the Beverly Tribe and Deputy Great Sachem, Stuart Johnson. Saturday, Sept. 26 — public raising of chiefs of Wingaersheek Tribe No. 12 of Gloucester; Tuesday, Sept. 29 — Raising of chiefs of Wanasquan Tribe No. 23 of Rockport.

Past Sachem Hyman Margolis announced that there will be a meeting of the inter-tribal bowling league members this Sunday at the Bowl-O-Mat. The meeting is being held to make plans for the new bowling season.

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NANTUCKET

NANTUCKET — A Broadway gossip columnist accustomed to squint into secretive haunts to find eye-opening news soon would discover his choicest items here lie unhidden in the sunshine of serenity. Such a man well might report:

"Hello, Mr. and Mrs. America and all the Ships at Sea: Here I am 30 miles at sea on 'the most famous little island in all the world.' An island which this summer is celebrating its 300th anniversary.

"Nantucket is an Indian name meaning 'Far Away Isle.' . . . Timewise in Indian days that probably was most apt . . . But it's an anachronism now because a plane will get you here from New York or Boston in just about an hour . . . Or you can take a steamer from New Bedford . . . Or ferry over from the village of Woods Hole in the town of Falmouth on Cape Cod.

"Otherwise, though, Nantucket remains 'far away' in all other respects . . . This island off the coast of Massachusetts remains a living monument to the days of the early seventeenth century when it was settled . . .

"Even today Nantucket boasts cobblestone streets . . . Watering troughs for horses . . . Windmills that grind grain as they turn in slow salute to the gentle breezes from the summer sea . . . Ancient buildings, including the homes of whaling captains, weather-beaten to a salt-sprayed silver gray . . . From the tops and windows of these buildings wary whaling wives were wont to hunt the horizon for a hint of homecoming husbands.

"Herman Melville wrote of 'a fine boisterous something' which characterized this 14-by-3-mile island that lies 30 miles due south of the spot where Cape Cod bends its elbow into the ocean . . . Mebbe so, in the 19th Century . . . But there's nothing boisterous about Nantucket today . . . Life's pace for the island's 3400 year-round residents is as smooth as the shoreline stones worn round by the wash of the sea . . . And the 7000 or more who annually vacation here find it that way, too . . . Time just measures eternity . . . Time is as lively as you want to make it, but it's never demanding.

"There are automobiles here, of course . . . However, bicycling is a popular sport and a favorite way to see the island . . . Good English bikes can be rented for $1.50 a day . . . There are tandems for teenagers, but romance rides on handlebars, too.

"Accommodations for vacationists are excellent . . . There are six inns, a dozen hotels, 200 guest houses . . . Also available for rental are snug cottages, many of them entwined by redolent rambling roses. . . . These are much in demand and it is advisable to make reservations early . . . Especially for the most popular months, July and August.

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Some of the vacation activities available on Nantucket Island are shown in the photographs on the facing page. Top left to bottom right: Boat fishing; sunbathing; lobster bakes; sightseeing; surfcasting; and sailing. Below: The Pacific Club in Nantucket, founded when whaling was the principal business of the men of this Island. The plaque shown in the photo at the left hangs outside the Club.





Nantucket . . .

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drop in for a church supper of baked beans and chowder, eat at a restaurant or hotel, or munch a grilled-sandwich at a twilight beach picnic songfest .

"Journey to the island's easternmost fringe and you're in Sciasconset, a onetime hideaway from Hollywood for crowd-shy celluloid celebrities . . . Jaunt to the water's edge and perchance you'll find the sign that points seaward and says: 'Next Land, Spain, 3000 miles."

"On your way back to Nantucket center you'll probably pass the Pacific Club . . . And if you want to cash a check, you'll go to the Pacific National Bank . . . Ask why America's last land sentinel on the Atlantic Coast should be so Pacific-conscious and you'll learn descendants of Nantucket whalers remember the richness their forefathers won from the sea came out of the Pacific Ocean.

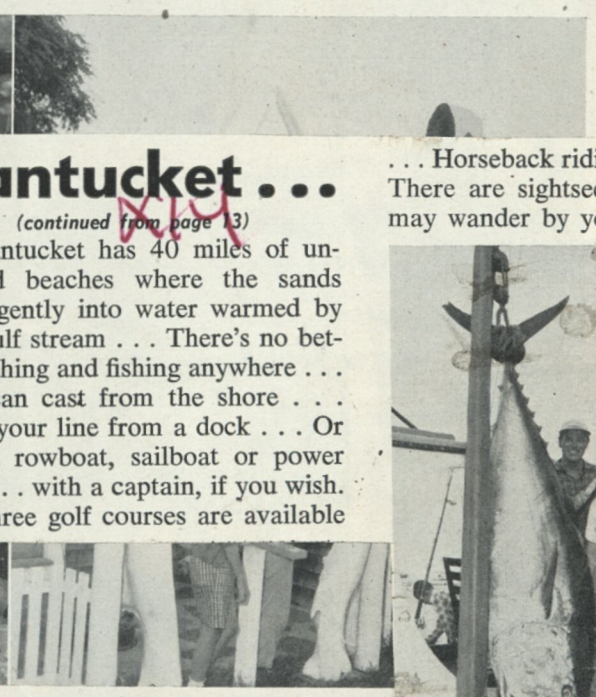
"Nantucketers, it seems, never forget . . . And, by the same token, people who visit here never forget Nantucket, either."



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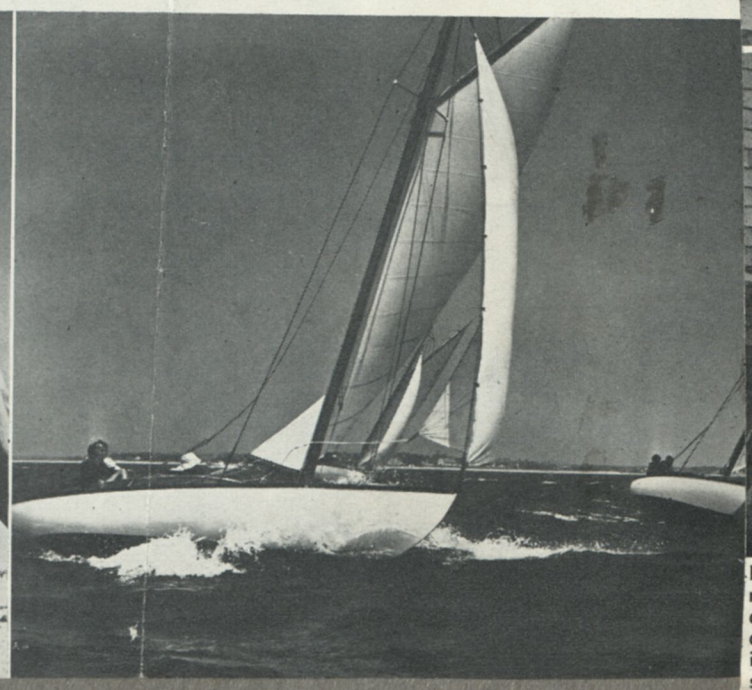
"Nantucket has 40 miles of unspoiled beaches where the sands slope gently into water warmed by the Gulf stream . . . There's no better bathing and fishing anywhere . . . You can cast from the shore . . . Drop your line from a dock . . . Or hire a rowboat, sailboat or power boat . . . with a captain, if you wish.

"Three golf courses are available . . . Horseback riding is a delight . . . There are sightseeing tours or you may wander by yourself to the historical museum . . . to the old abandoned jail . . . to the old Quaker meeting house . . . to fine old homes opened for public view . . . Nantucket food is the best, whether you

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Fishing and sightseeing are two of the favorite diversions of vacationists on Cape Cod and the Islands. The bluefin tuna was caught aboard a charter fishing boat out of Provincetown. The figurehead from a whaling ship is one of the attractions on Nantucket.

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Slightly Salty

By GEORGE L. MOSES

This is a "once upon a time" account of a trip to Nantucket. I held off passing it on to you until Labor Day weekend so that the publicists and just plain, properly proud people of my practically peerless peninsula wouldn't have what they consider good cause for justifiable homicide.

It is, you see, a hanging offense on Cape Cod during the Summer vacation season to depict for newspaper readers (particularly those in the city) the attractions of a rival resort . . . no matter how indirectly. Moreover, to make the situation worser, this Nantucket trip was made, obviously, during the height of Summer and the visitors (oh, fie and eternal shame on them) left Cape Cod of their own free will to go to the island. They didn't even have Nantucket's 300th birthday celebration as an extenuating circumstance of their dastardly deed. They just up and went, and then vowed to go again another time.



GEORGE L. MOSES

I can't tell you when the ancient hand-written account I have here was penned, except to point out that it was written during the town of Yarmouth's religious revival "camp meeting" heyday in the mid-to-late 1800s. I don't even know if it has ever been published before. I do know that it was written by the Rev. John W. Dodge in Yarmouth and is entitled "A Flying Visit to Nantucket" (long before anyone ever flew to the far-away isle).

I'll say this for the "Little Gray Lady of the Sea." She has changed so little over the many years that the following account could have been written just yesterday, except for two or three mentions, mainly monetary. Despite the march of time and "progress" (the quotes are advisable) and the invasion and inroads of modern "civilization" (the quotes are sarcastic), Nantucket has retained the flavor of its historic yesterdays, that precious and elusive substance known as atmosphere of the past. But here—see for yourself:

"All 'round the world and never at Nantucket! We resolved to wipe off this stigma and go. Just a baker's dozen, made up of staunch Cape Cod captains with their merry wives and daughters. We find the train usually breaks down the days we set for excursions, and this time was no exception to the rule—but we were aboard the steamer with only an hour's delay.

"Is there any where else on the globe so interesting a spot for a sail as Vineyard Sound? It is a sort of park for small craft all over the coast, laid out in avenues and studded with interesting memorials by day and well lighted by night. And what a precious medley of names for its numerous spots of interest. For the ecclesiastical you have the Bishop and Clerks in full canonicals. The agricultural is represented by Hedge Fence and Squash Meadow. The more utilitarian by Handkerchief, and Horseshoe. To our unpracticed eye they look remarkably like any other seawaters, and stirred within us the same sort of feelings we have had before and shall not be likely to forget.

"'The day was cool and bright, the sky intensely blue 'just like an ocean hung on high.' We are never out of sight of land, for no sooner is the Cape buried beneath the water than Nantucket begins to loom in the distance. We have time as we round the point to the harbor to take a bird's-eye view of the town as it lies on the slope above. What a queer old borough! It might be 2,700 miles rather than 27 away, a regular Old World city. But if any doubt its title to sisterhood among Yankee towns, let him know that Nantucket can compete with the best for school teachers for the rest of mankind. A town that sent 600 men to California to open the golden gate of the West may be pardoned for retiring from business and living on its interest.

"We set our faces first towards Siasconset, and were soon aboard our calashes for the south shore. We rattled over the pavements (where did the stones come from?) at a good speed and were soon out on the moors—vast, unfenced pastures covered with a sort of furze and studded with pink and yellow flowers. The 8 miles of heavy road was relieved by the occasional oracular remarks of our driver. From him we obtained some ideas of [illegible] value of the land there. A farm of 2,000 acres, with farm [illegible]se containing 14 rooms and various outbuildings, he told us, [illegible]ently sold for $1,400. And such land. It would bear as good [illegible]n as any in the country!

"It is almost sunset when we reach Siasconset. We find the [illegible]age wholly given up to visitors, in the literal sense. The in[illegible]table croquet has taken the place of the fish flakes; bathing [illegible]thes are drying instead of nets. We have but a few minutes [illegible] see the league-long rollers as they come in grandly. It always [illegible]akes the sublime within us to look out upon the open sea, un[illegible]ken by island or shoal. But we have only time for hail and [illegible]ewell.

"The sun drops down in splendor before us as we take our [illegible]rriages again and Sankaty is flashing its beautiful light behind [illegible] over the bleak and lonely plains. It is dark before we reach [illegible]e middle of the common and the wind sweeps cold acros[illegible] [illegible]ith. To add to the interest, one of our wheels refuses to [illegible] [illegible]d we drag along on three. But Cape Cod spirits do not [illegible] [illegible]d we move on with no less glee, arriving at safe anchorage [illegible]the Ocean House soon after eight. A good supper, followed by [illegible]sic and a social chat, ends one of the most pleasant Summer [illegible]s.

"The whole population seemed to be on the wharf to bid us [illegible]u as we took the steamer next morning. We felt a little sad [illegible]eave so soon and we thought they were more so to have us, [illegible]our consolation is that we mean to go again next year if all [illegible]ell. While Martha's portion of the island domain is the rose [illegible] all are praising just now, in these camp-meeting times, we [illegible]sh the hope that Nan's part of the plantation, especially [illegible]ew of the fact that the President has condescended to visit [illegible]ay still see better and brighter days."

This year, I understand, with its 300th anniversary observance [illegible]ring visitors from all over America, Nantucket's days were, [illegible]d, better and brighter.

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Nantucket Display at Exposition



Nantucket Island, celebrating its 300th anniversary this year, had an elaborate exhibit in the Massachusetts building at the Exposition. With a replica of famed Brant Point Light against a sea landscape, the exhibit was a favorite of visitors to the fair. The lightship is the third oldest in the country. Above, an East Granby, Conn., family stages a make-believe picnic at the beach. Mrs. William Goodrich serves lobster to her children, David, 14, Pamela, seven, and Janice, 16. In background at left is John Golden, executive secretary of the Nantucket Chamber of Commerce, and at right is John Roy of 257 Pine St., Springfield, who set up the exhibit.

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wife's elderly grandfather.

Gross was identified by officers as chief of a 20-million dollar bookmaking ring in New York 10 years ago.

Police said 81-year-old Harry Black is in critical condition at General Hospital, with head and neck wounds.

Gross, booked Saturday on suspicion of assault with intent to commit murder, denied the charge. He said, "The old man and I are good friends."

Gross was sent to prison in 1951 after pleading guilty to 66 counts of bookmaking and conspiracy.

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A local worthy dressed in colonial costume stood on the wharf ringing a bell and proclaiming that the Village Band would give a concert that night. The island usually has little tolerance for this sort of synthetic cuteness, though it abides it for the summer people so long as they spend money. But here was an islander putting on a show, and then I recalled that this is the 300th anniversary of the founding of the town that, from its whale ships, was once known around the world. I recalled also that the first ship which entered a British port after the Revolution flying the new American flag was from this island. It's something to be proud of, observing your 300th birthday, and with a slice of history in your record.

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A visitor naturally went to the concert of the Village Band that night for the very simple reason that there was nothing else to do. Carpenters had erected a platform in front of the high-pillared Atheneum that had been opened to promote culture in the days before the Civil War with a lecture by Mr. Emerson of Concord. Hidden lights played on the new coat of white paint that dressed up the Atheneum, and a man would be far gone in insensitivity who did not say that the noble old building looked lovely in its quiet dignity.

The Unitarian Church had loaned folding chairs for the occasion, set up between the Atheneum and the Post Office, and a reserved seat there cost 50 cents, the money to go to pay for the admission of the Village Band to the concerts the Boston Symphony was giving later, at five dollars a ticket, the first time that great orchestra ever appeared on the island. The seats were occupied principally by visitors or summer residents; the local people would feel that they should have their heads examined if they paid for anything that they could hear or see for nothing.

The excitement naturally attracted every dog on the island, and though they ran around and got in everybody's way, I must say that there were no fights, and, after a while, they got bored and went away. On the high railing in front of the Atheneum were roosted the kids, like a lot of sparrows on the branch of a tree. They had taken their places at least an hour before the concert started, and they behaved themselves splendidly: There's something about the island that discourages juvenile delinquency, the variety of interests it holds for a boy, I suppose.

The Village Band of 12 pieces, part of the larger Community Orchestra, appeared in their new uniforms of brown trousers with a blue stripe, white shirts, black bow ties and brown caps with white crowns. They took a bow to wild and enthusiastic applause and cheering, since everybody in the audience knew everybody in the orchestra. From the way the members played the *Star Spangled Banner*, I knew that a critic would have to take effort into consideration in passing judgment on merits. It was a lot of fun listening to *Peggy O'Neil, Entrance of the Gladiators, Anchors Aweigh*, and similar familiar tunes. When the repertory was complete, the band repeated some earlier numbers as encores. The master of ceremonies thought it worthy of mention that this was the first time the tuba player had ever tried that musical instrument. Ten minutes after the final number the town was closed down for the night.

The one day that the sun shone I stood by the Old Mill and looked at the yellow of the Scotch broom lighting up the moors and at the delicate pallor of the wild rose. It was so clear that day that over the water, with the bright sun on it, you could almost see Spain.

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Islanders Growing Whalers' Beards for Celebration

Nantucket Whips Up 4-Month Tercentenary Party



NANTUCKET HOSPITALITY—Mrs. Irving Stanley (left) greets Diane Roy and Eunice Sjolund at island guest house. Both girls got slices of Nantucket's giant birthday cake.

By FRANK FALACCI

Blazing light from 300 candles will dance on the moon-bathed whitecaps of Nantucket Sound when the little old gray lady of the sea has herself a birthday party this Summer.



Everyone's invited!

The ornamental cake — 11 feet across—is arriving overland by tractor trailer. Twelve tons of hand-picked stones will be imported for a giant clambake. Eight governors, cabinet members and the nation's Vice President will pay their respects.

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There will be cake for every-one all Summer long. Good fun and festivities will spark the party with championship boat racing, symphony music, coancerts, colorful car parades, a rollicking firemen's muster, lively square dancing, church sings, folksy street singing, golf, yachting, a sheep-shearing festival, parties within the party, just to name a few. You'll hear the merriment clear to the Cape Cod coast 30 miles away.

And why not? The old gal deserves a party . . . the chance to kick up her whalebone heels and loosen stays stitched tight for 300 years.

She's worked bone-hard every day since 1659 when Tristram Coffin and other men of Salisbury and Newbury paid 30 pounds and two beaver hats to settle on her white-sand shores.

The little old grey lady's moment of greatness began in 1668 with the capture of the first whale. By 1840, Nantucket had 70 whale ships and a population three times greater than today. Her sons roamed the wild seas in as terrifying a trade man has known.

But much of that historic period is still there to be seen. The mansions of the whaling dynasties—the Coffins, the Starbucks and th Macys. The three brick mansions built by Joseph Starbuck for his three sons; the two striking classical houses across the street, built by Starbuck's son-in-law for his wife and adopted daughter.

So on with the party for this seafarin' daughter of the commonwealth! She'll be robed in bunting and flags . . . international sightseers will stroll along her cobblestones, the same that carried drayloads of whale oil to the waterfront. From Great Point to Tuckernuck they'll raise a toast to this grand dame of the Sound.

Seldom before have Nantucket Islanders so readily cast aside their traditional austerity. Men, women and children have been swept up by the excitement of preparing for the birthday. Costumes are being sewn by the women, children are arranging exhibits, the men are growing whalers' beards.

However, the little old grey lady herself has been beautifying her features for this birthday for over a century. Economy made it a necessity. Her sparce, sandy soil discouraged farming. The whaling industry was a boom that died with electricity. Fishing was a seasonal occupation. All eventually evolved toward the tourist business.

recognized early that the resort dollar would be their mainstay, swore to maintain their island's sense with the past, preserve its matchless appearance.

Today, Nantucket residents are perhaps the few in the world who require certificates to paint their homes. Certificates are required to erect, remodel, paint or raze a building or to install an outside advertising sign. Thus their heritage remains unspoiled, a priceless possession.

Landmarks like the Watch-tower, the Square on Main Street, the Pacific Club building and Nantucket's unique architecture remain for the ages. The little old grey lady will grow older, but hand-in-hand with charm and quaintness.

Already underway, June will usher in the first big round of the 300th birthday activities. The huge clambake and the birthday will take place July 2d and wheel thru the Fourth. Nantucketers have invited 350 men of distinction to be their guest at the old-time bake. Governors, mayors, college presidents, state and national officers, will personally be escorted by an Islander.

Returning to their mother isle for the birthday will be descendants of the eleven original families. Many of them will be crossing Nantucket Sound for the first time . . . the Bunkers, Gardners, Husseys, Swains, the Colemans, the Worths, the Starbucks, the Macys, the Coffins, the Folgers and the Barnards.

The long-hair set have already enjoyed one high-brow event, music by members of the Boston Symphony last Sunday.

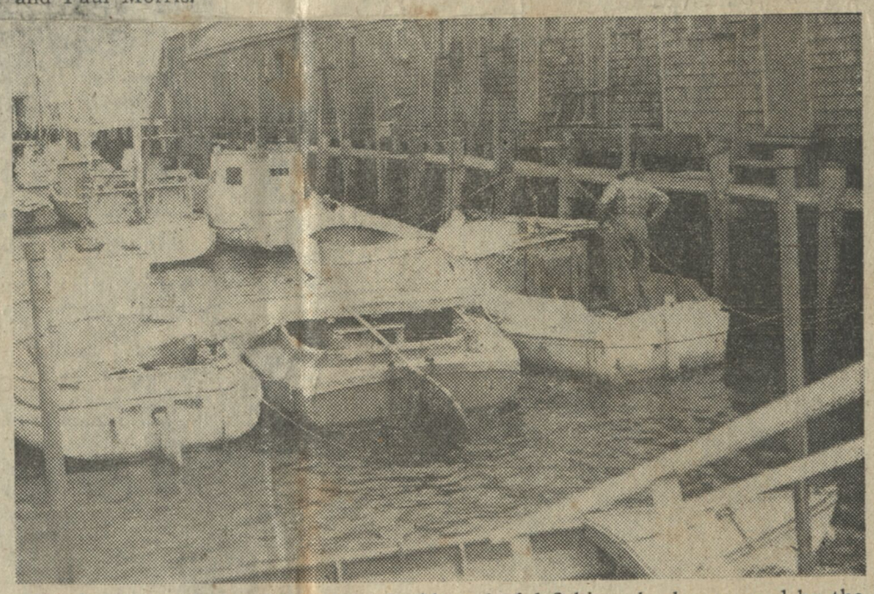
Later there will be a smorgasbord of toothsome lectures by famous speakers; attendance of famed scientists when the National Academy of Arts and Sciences honors Nantucket's Maria Mitchell, world-famous 18th century astronomer and the first woman elected to the Academy. The Maria Mitchell Observatory is a popular attraction for Island tourists.

The span of celebrations begins to close Sept. 12 with the climatic Nantucket Commemorative Parade.

The curtain will then fall on as memorable a birthday party as Nantucket Islanders will ever know . . . at least for another hundred years or so.



WHALERS, 20TH CENTURY STYLE—Growing beards for Nantucket tercentenary are, left to right, Robert W. Clark, Harold Dunham, Charles Sayle and Paul Morris.



DOUBLE DUTY—Boats tied up beside colorful fishing shacks are used by the island's fishermen and also are rented out to artists and vacationers.

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Hotel & Restaurant News
BOSTON, Mass.
Weekly

JUL 25 1959

Georgia Bock is back for a third season as dining room hostess at Sparhawk Hall. Last winter she was with **John Packard** at the Royal Park Inn, Vero Beach, Florida. **Edith Emery** is the dining room captain; **Larry Carpenter** and **Bill Bock** are in the engineering department . . . news from the West coast **Harry W. Beckett,** veteran hotelman and a past president of the Inter-Mountain Southern California Hotel Association was recently appointed assistant to the Biltmore Hotel in L. A. where they plan a $7½ million expansion and renovation program . . . talking with the dean of Cape Cod hotelmen, **Calvin Crawford.** He certainly is enjoying his retirement. They are taking off this week to enjoy the 300th week of Nantucket and then go down to Maryland to visit their daughter who is expecting — congratulations Cal and Nita . . . one of our New England companies located in Foxboro, Massachusetts has come out with a new gadget — something to measure human comfort — it is the first of its kind in the world. They will have an initial showing next week in San Francisco — it is called temperature-humidity index indicator . . .word from Connecticut the Hotel Green, scheduled to close next month, will remain open through September according to Ralph Hamrick, manager . . . **Ned** and **Helene Humphrey** will be vacationing shortly at their old stamping ground up in Boothbay . . . **Guy Huckins,** one of our old-time resort waiters, is now at the Mount Washington in their dining room service . . . **Nick DePetris,** one of our top-flight New England chefs, this summer is at Interlaken Camp for Girls, Croyden, N. H. — these campers are in for some tidbits and tasty food . . . **Carl Nilson** is chef-steward at the Park Beach Hotel, Falmouth, Mass., this summer. He is chef at Dana Hall, Pine Manor, during the rest of the year . . . **D. Joseph Sheehan,** treasurer of Hayes-Bickford System, is vacationing for the balance of the summer. Notes will reach him care of C. Casselly, Messalonakee Beach Camp, Bel-Grade, Maine . . . Next week, August 1st, **Arthur Love** retires from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company (he has been with them 41 years). Our best to you Arthur and don't be a stranger . . . **Ledyard D. Gardner** is the newly appointed manager of The Colony Club in Palm Beach, an International Hotels operation. Mr. Gardner was formerly on the executive staff of the Hotel Pierre, New York City and a former secretary of the Palm Beach Country Hotel Association.

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Ain't Old on Nantucket

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Standard Times (e)
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Nantucket Films Slated at Forum

HYANNIS, July 25 — Motion tures in color of Nantucket Island will be presented at the Federated Church of Hyannis at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow in its Friendly Forum series. Nantucket is celebrating the 300th birthday this Summer.

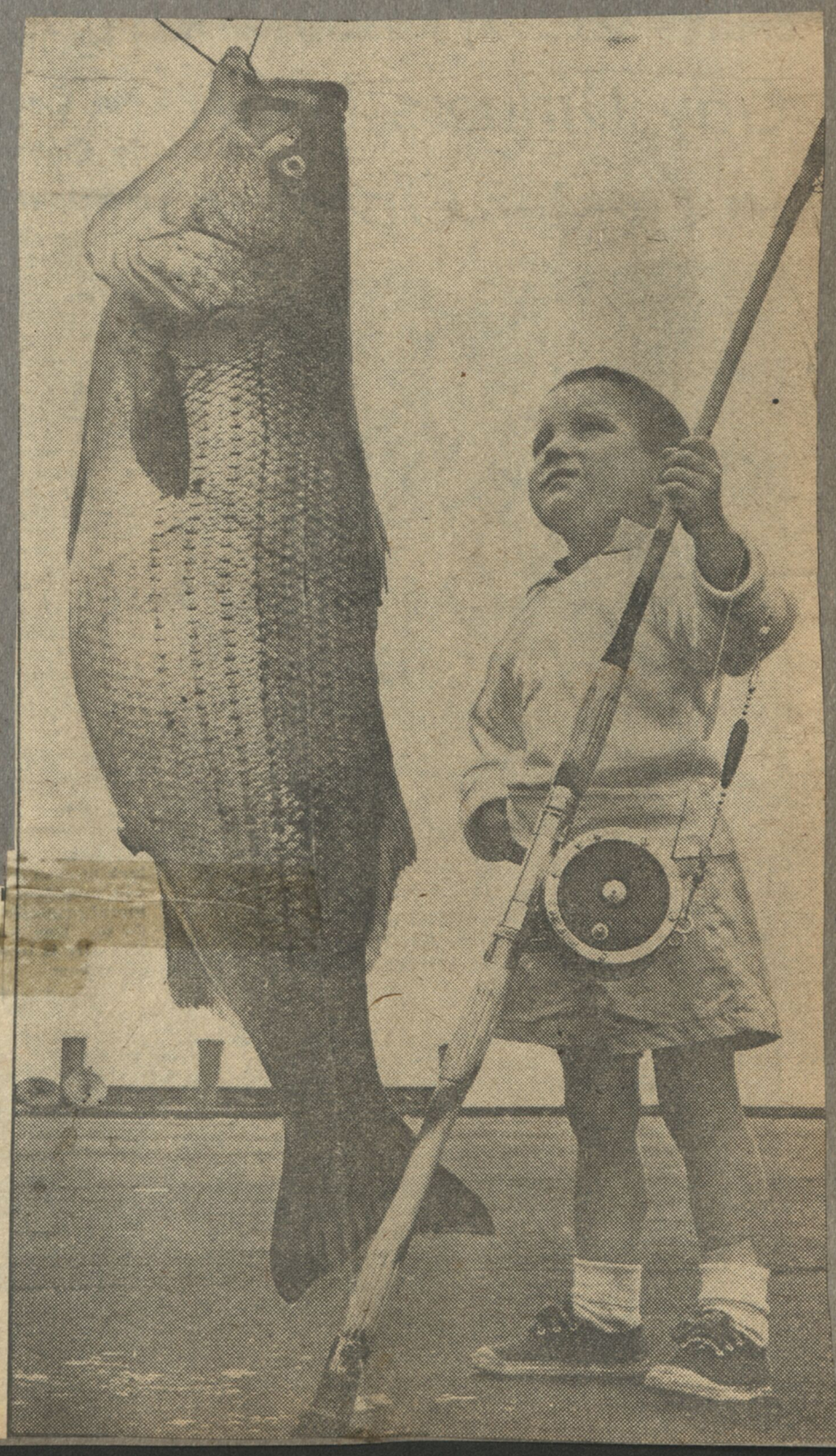
The motion picture is a travelogue of the island, with scenes of historic significance, including the old houses, lighthouse and shops, and views of tree-lined cobblestoned streets, the waterfront, beaches and sea.

The public may attend. The Rev. Carl F. Schultz, D.D., will conduct the service.

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"I CAN PLAY big shot, too!" exclaimed Jimmy Briard, 3, of Nantucket Island, who posed beside this big striped bass. Jimmy didn't really catch this 34-lb. beaut, but his dad, Capt. Jack Briard, skipper of the Sea Mist did, off Great Point. The fish is longer than little Jimmy but that didn't scare him.
(AP Photo)

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Three-year-old Jimmy Briard has seen so many adults posing with big striped bass on Nantucket Island he wants to show that he can pose big too. Jimmy didn't catch the 34-pounder which is longer than he is. It was caught from boat Sea Mist skippered by his daddy, Capt. Jack Briard. (Herald-AP Wirephoto)

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Nantucket Celebrates Tercentenary

Nantucket Island, 30 miles off the coast of Massachusetts, is celebrating its 300th birthday. In 1659, the island was sold by Thoms Mayhew at a price of "30 pounds of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife." The purchasers were 11 men from Massachusetts who were anxious to lead a life of intolerance.

Nantucket, sometimes called "little grey lady of the sea" is the only place in America which can claim being a town, a county and an island, all in one. Once the whaling capital of the world, the little island community looks today as it did in the 1800's when the whaling industry was at its height.

Families of the wealthy whalers lived in mansions in Nantucket, constructed at a time in American architectural history when building lines were clean, uncluttered and beautiful. The whaling industry failed just at the time when architecture went through a period of "gingerbread" and "gewgaws" and because of lack of money to make changes, Nantucket's homes remained as they were.

This fact has become one of the island's greatest assets, with people coming from the world over to see fine examples of American architecture.

On Aug. 7, the USS Miller will visit the island and salute the memory of William Mooers, Nantucket ship captain whose ship "Bedford" first flew the American flag in an English port.

Throughout the summer there will be many attractions for the visitor. Visitors may bring automobiles with them on the daily sailings of Steamship Authority vessels from New Bedford and Woods Hole.

Visitors may tour the island easily on foot, bicycle, surrey or by auto and will find it well wohthwhile.

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'Wish I Caught It'



Associated Press photo

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Democratic
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In commemoration of Nantucket's Tri-Centennial celebration, WBZ-TV's "Dimensions" program will present "The Story of Nantucket Whaling," today from 9:30-10 a. m. on Channel 4.

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300th Annive On Nantucket

Special to The Standard-Times

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Tickets for the entertainment and dance may be obtained from members of the Red Men or the Nantucket Pharmacy.

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—*AP Wirephoto*

300th BIRTHDAY CAKE: Mrs. Frances J. Lynch and twins Sarah and Susan, six, wear old-fashioned costumes as they look over Nantucket's 300th birthday cake. Nantucketers marked their three-century observance with a big clambake.

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Tree Planted At Nantucket

A large delegation of Fairhaven officials and other residents visited Nantucket Sunday, when they planted a large red maple near that town's war memorial as a gift of friendship between the two towns. The event was in commemoration of Nantucket's 300th anniversary, and Nantucket was invited to participate in Fairhaven's 150th anniversary in 1962.

The group of more than 200 persons, including the high school band, drum majorettes and cheerleaders, left on steamer Nobska at 9:30 A.M. and arrived at the island in the early afternoon.

Kenneth N. Pease, chairman of the Nantucket selectmen, met the group on the wharf and supervised loading of the tree on a police cruiser car, which led a procession headed by the band, Mr. Pease, Selectmen Walter J. Borowicz, Walter Silveira and James B. Lanagan and Town Clerk Michael J. O'Leary of this town to the memorial near the town offices a few blocks from the pier.

Presentation addresses were made by Mr. Borowicz and Mr. O'Leary, and Mr. Lanagan, as the chairman of Fairhaven's sesquicentennial, invited Nantucketers to visit Fairhaven that year. Mr. Pease responded to the speeches and thanked Fairhaven for the tree and its expressions of friendship.

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NANTUCKET — continued

Year after year visitors increased; they were charmed by the solid brick mansions built with whale oil wealth; by "The Square", a rectangle of rare brick architecture for shops and offices, with the Pacific Bank making one end and the Pacific Club at the other end. On the hill stands the Old Mill (for only sailing masters of the Pacific) at the center of the whaling town; near the end. On food for the Quaker Meeting House, which provided is the Whaling Museum with the largest Library, the home of Benjamin Franklin's whale's jaw, and the home of Maria Mitchell with her telescope and library. Nearby is the site of the home of Benjamin Franklin's mother, Abiah Folger and the Oldest House where a romance and a marriage healed the family feud between the Coffins and Gardners.

Today hundreds of "ramblers", by foot or in cars enjoy viewing early houses, gardens, cosy lanes, nooks and alleys.

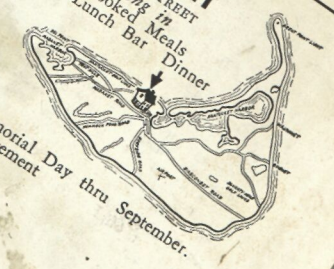
Lovers of beach life find it in any direction —bathing in still water on one side of the Island or in surf on the other. The Yacht Club directs racing for large boats and encourages the youngsters in the Rainbow Fleet. Fishermen may play the singing surf for bass or "blues", or enjoy some of the scheduled fishing boats.

This year, Nantucket celebrates its 300th anniversary.

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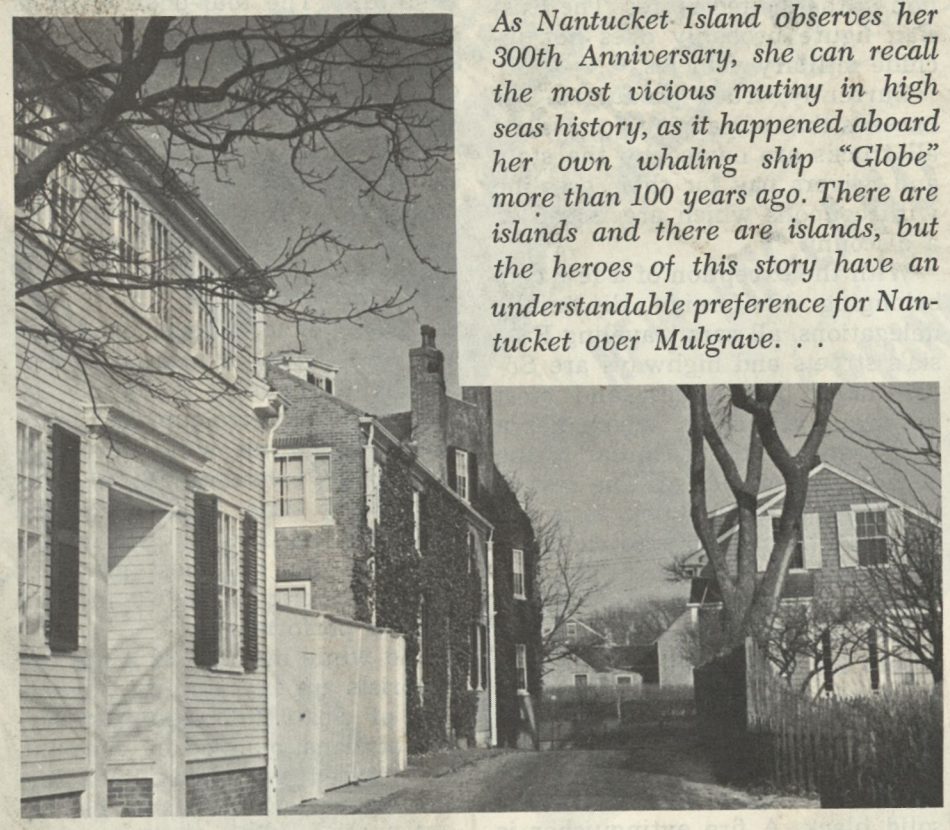
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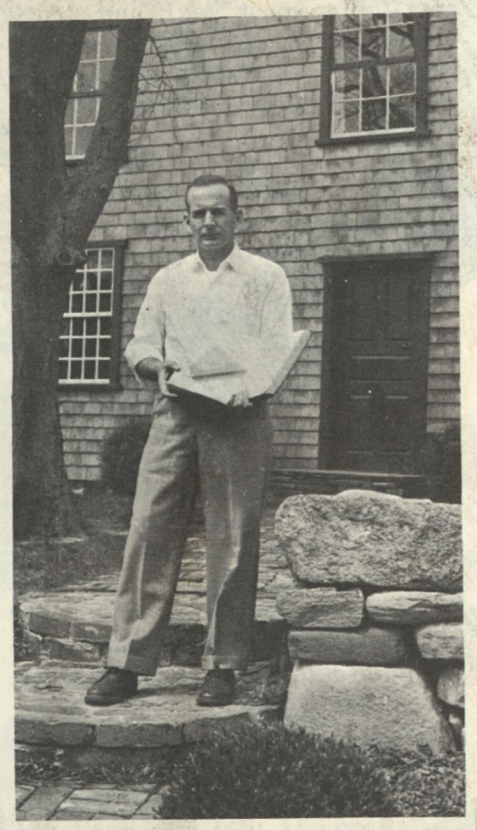
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SABOTAGE

As Nantucket Island observes her 300th Anniversary, she can recall the most vicious mutiny in high seas history, as it happened aboard her own whaling ship "Globe" more than 100 years ago. There are islands and there are islands, but the heroes of this story have an understandable preference for Nantucket over Mulgrave. . .



This typical, placid Nantucket lane gives no hint of the violence common in bygone days. Most of the houses pictured were probably built back in the days of the "Globe" when whalers brought thriving trade to the island.



This is Robert Caldwell, sole descendant of Cyrus Hussey who was one of the two survivors of the savage "Globe" mutiny. Mr. Caldwell stands in front of Cyrus' old home (still occupied) and is holding the Hussey family Bible.

Of the 18 men who shipped out of Nantucket on the vessel "Globe" in December of 1822, only two survived to tell this tale. Surely none of them foresaw the brutal drama awaiting them on the other side of the world.

Bound for Pacific whaling waters, the "Globe" sailed an uneventful five-month course to the Sandwich Islands where six men deserted ship, dissatisfied with the food on board. No hint of more serious trouble appeared until these men were replaced with local seamen instrumental in the coming disaster.

Just one day later, mutiny flared over a minor matter of crew discipline which had been handled fairly enough by the Captain and his three mates. However, these four innocent officers were butchered in their bunks that night by the chief of the mutineers. Next, the renegades took over the ship and terrorized all hands aboard. Their victims were tossed overboard (alive or dead) and even one of their own number was hanged for suspected disloyalty.

Enroute on an altered course to the Mulgrave Islands, the misguided crew killed and injured scores of natives throughout the Marshalls and Gilberts. Those "Globe" seamen unsympathetic to this murderous regime were repressed by constant threat of death in boiling oil.

At the remote Mulgraves, all supplies (including most of the ship's rigging) were taken ashore. Neutral seamen were powerless and uneasy when dissension then arose among the mutineers. Their leader wished to burn the boat and remain on the islands; his second-in-command preferred to leave. This difference was resolved by killing the commander, whose popularity had waned as fast as tension among the ranks had mounted. The new chief placed six men in charge of the underequipped vessel, pending departure the next day when her stores could be returned aboard.

The following morning, those on shore were amazed to find the poorly-rigged whaler vanished from the harbor—manned mainly by the blameless neutrals. (Only one mutineer was among the six men sent to the ship, but then the new headman had little reason to suspect stealthy flight on a boat from which he had removed all compasses!) Indeed, that fact helped convince everyone that the "Globe" was doomed. Her ultimate arrival at Valparaiso, Chile, was a

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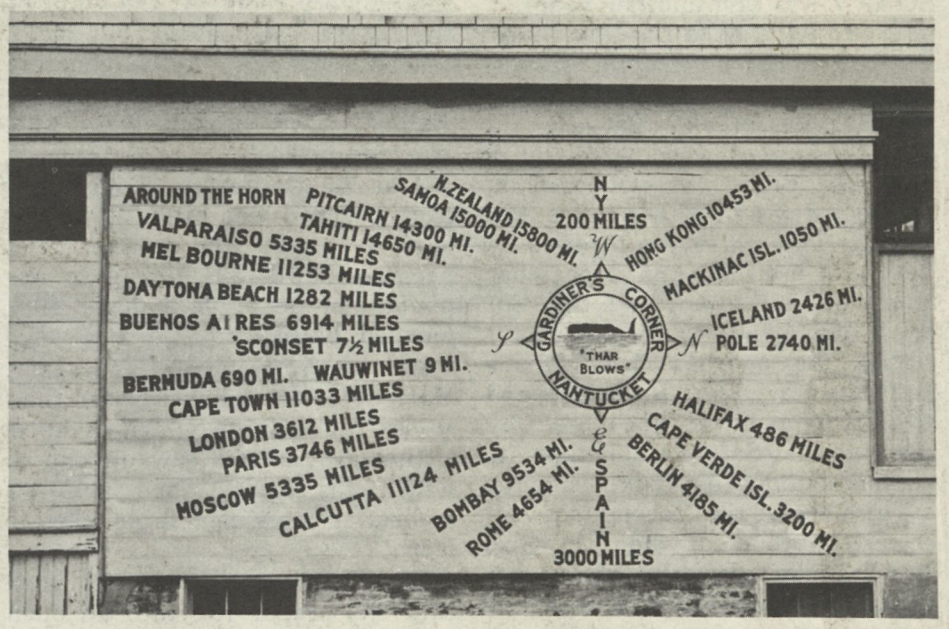
real surprise for those who lived to hear about it and speedy conviction fated the only guilty party aboardship.

Of the eight men remaining on the Mulgrave Islands, five were guiltless in the gruesome play which brought them there. Still, the scheming minority kept command and ordered immediate construction of a seagoing craft to prevent the "Globe's" possible safe passage to port and to punishment—for them. But the ill-treated Mulgrave natives interrupted the boat-building with a vengeful massacre from which only two seamen survived.

The lucky ones, William Lay and Cyrus M. Hussey, were spared for the kindness they had shown their island hosts. However, the two sailors were separated and enslaved by their saviors for more than two years. Although this captivity was not entirely unpleasant, the men had little hope for deliverance. Deprived of their own companionship, books and clothing, Hussey and Lay narrowly missed death on more than one occasion when various unconscious acts of theirs were believed to have angered local gods or caused famine and disease.

So it was a great day in the Mulgraves when the American Navy came to the rescue of these two wretched citizens. Dispatched expressly for their release, the schooner in the bay was one welcome sight to the exiles, while it thoroughly dismayed their captors. And it was only through sheer trickery that the bronzed and bearded prisoners ever got aboard!

The long return voyage across two hemispheres brought Cyrus M. Hussey and William Lay to their native Nantucket once more, after an unexpected absence of almost four years. No doubt their tale of this extraordinary trip enlivened many a wintry night long afterward—on a familiar, non-tropical island where they much preferred to tell it.



Boston has competition as "Hub of the Universe;" Nantucket, as America's only town-county-and-island, looks at the world from a central vantage point. All places listed on this quaint wall were visited by whalers long before the clipper ships set sail.



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Nantucket's 300th

Known to the old whalers as the "little gray lady of the sea", Nantucket Island still has "widow-walks" atop many of its weathered houses and Scotch heather still grows wild on the sandy moors. With cobbled streets dating from the time when sperm oil commanded a price, Nantucket Town has enjoyed little, if any, change. Three hundred years ago, so 'tis said, 10 Bay Colony men, loaded with 30 pounds of silver and sporting a couple of beaver hats to tantalize the inhabitants, purchased the "faraway island" of Nantucket. This year the 300th birthday will be gaily celebrated and once again the world will be reminded that Nantucket whale oil lighted the streets from Boston to Paris, London. Nantucketeers, in the spirit of presenting an attractive scene this birthday summer, have been hard at work all winter designing and sewing costumes for the women. The men have grown a good crop of beards. Nantucketeers built their houses with a smack dab on the sidewalk, with stairways to welcome guests from either direction. Their spacious gardens are on the side and in back. Building of the houses in this fashion has made it impractical to change the width of the streets. Nantucket traffic has to move slowly and be polite. No other way. The houses are a study in perfect early American architecture. It is an accepted fact that the whaling industry began to falter about the time in architectural history when gingerbread became fashionable in home design. Nantucket had little money to change home styles, so it has remained — a jewel without a flaw in recreating the atmosphere of the past. An atmosphere of grace pervades the island. These people have lived in a small town which has run the gamut from riches to poverty. They know the value of a good guest, and good guests are treated well.

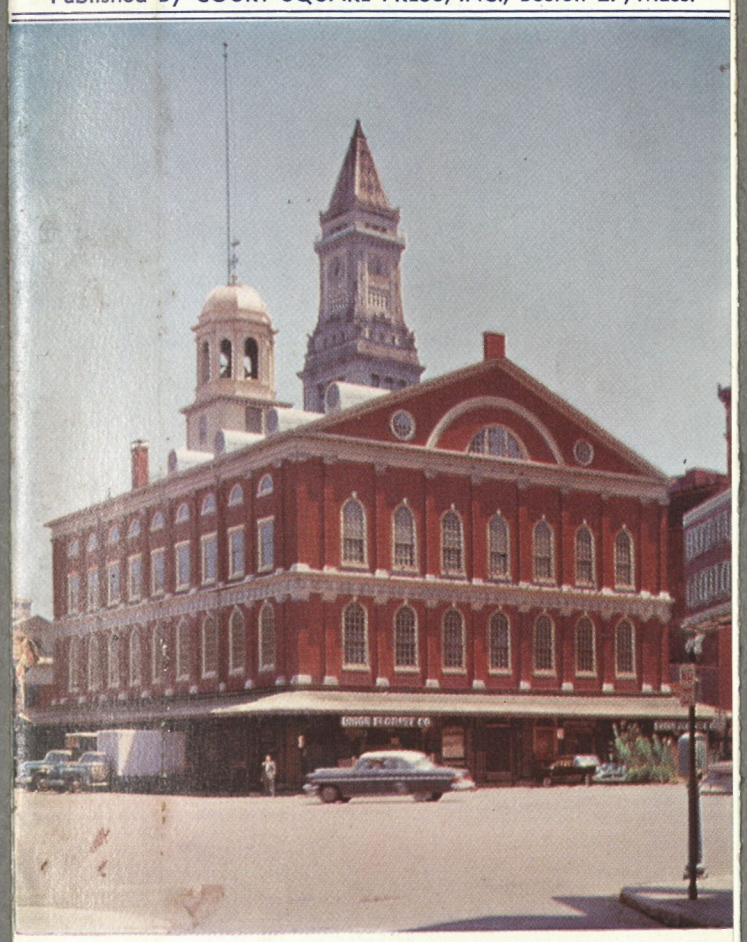
Visitors who love nature and beauty and history find what means the most to them in Nantucket. When a visitor takes the time to cross the water he is rarely disappointed in what he finds.

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New Wing Spread

With a much larger wing spread, come November 23, 1959, Direct Distance Dialing from telephones in the Boston Area will reach throughout most of the United States and far into Canada. Except from coin-operated and some 4-party dial telephones, the many, many places to which the larger Direct Distance Dialing will reach are in all but 10 of the states and in four Canadian provinces. Some 50,000,000 telephones will be within the new range of dialing. It will be another step—and a very big one—in the Boston Area toward the ultimate of Direct Distance Dialing for all and reaching practically all places in the United States and Canada.

Among remaining steps in the Boston Area are the changes to dial service in the few exchanges which are manually operated at present.

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By Sea and by Air

Nantucket Island celebrating a 300th anniversary this summer brings to mind that it was a mere 43 years ago that telephone communication between the Island and the mainland was first established with a submarine cable.

This cable—still in service—was the outcome of major progress of the times in submarine telephone transmission and a forerunner of today's ocean-crossing telephone cables.

The Island's underwater connection of 1916 was supplemented with a micro-wave radio connection in 1946. So today, Nantucket's telephone conversations travel as do the people who come and go to the Island—by sea and by air.

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AT HOME IN NEW ENGLAND *by* DUNCAN MACDONALD

Pedal Pushers Prefer

WITH ALL NATURE AT ITS FAIREST these beautiful June days, 25,000,000 cyclists are hitting the road. That means exactly 25,000,000 hearty appetites when they get where they're going, and it means we'd better start organizing our food thinking in terms of the "bicycle picnic."

That we are in the midst of a renascence of cycling is evident in many quarters, most conspicuously in preparatory school and college circles. No campus, or dormitory, no lecture hall without its stack of parked bicycles, no sports clothes department without its clothes specially designed for cycling!

For the first time since 1902, the Yale Bicycle Team has scheduled a meet. Dartmouth, Harvard, Wesleyan, and Princeton breathe defiance, and the resumption of annual college races seems a certainty.

Nantucket scarcely ever knew that bicycles had been eclipsed by the motor car, as I was reminded when I went there just a year ago with other members of the Committee for Safe Bicycling to open the first State-financed bicyle path. Hundreds of islanders' bicycles spun along in every direction as our official cavalcade of "off Islanders" proceeded in orderly manner to the historic first mile of cycling path.

If a mile-long path seems trifling, the precedent of getting the State to pay for such a path does not. The Committee's famous president, Dr. Paul Dudley White, State Representative Robert Mooney, and other dignitaries participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremony under the guns of amateur, press, and television photographers. In the midst of all this, Dr. White and I found a moment to discuss the new path with Susan Benedict, daughter of Dr. Edward Benedict. She was all for the new path and more like it. Then the cavalcade pedaled six and a half miles over the rolling countryside to Siasconset.

Among Siasconset's many glories is an inn called The Chanticleer, the sight of which brightened the eye, I am sure, of every cyclist. All blissful anticipations of

Officer Charles Feeley led the Committee for



Picnics

refreshment were more than fulfilled as we found our way to an attractive second-floor dining room set aside for our use.

Now at last we were content, nay, delighted, to relax and hear from Dr. White how beneficial all of this open-air pedalling had been.

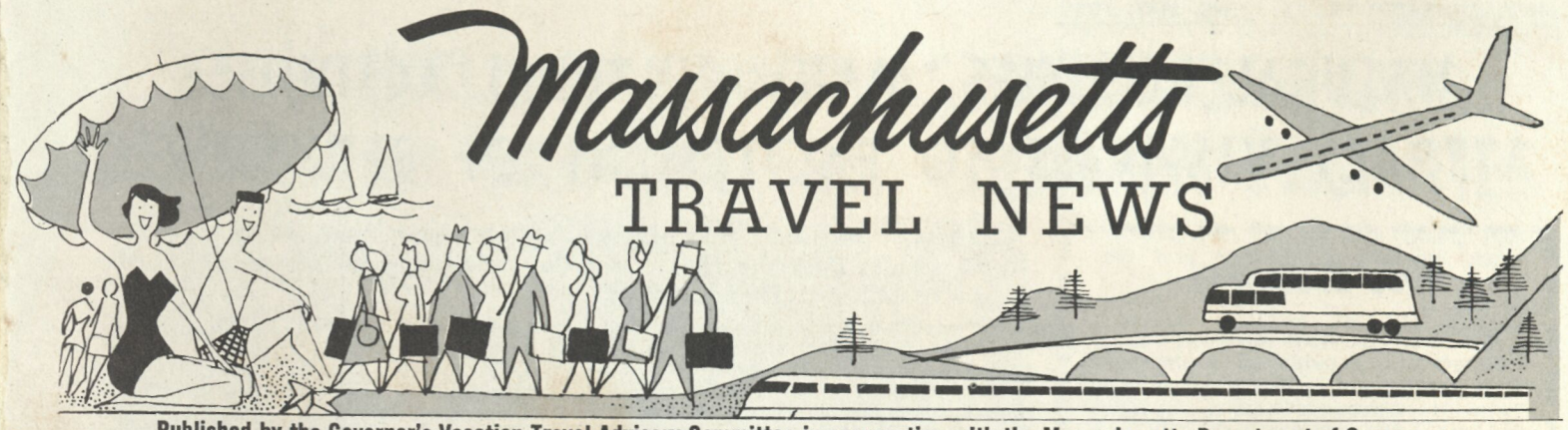
The last great bicycle boom started in the 1890's as a result of the work of Col. Albert A. Pope and W. S. Atwell of Boston, but there had been bicycles before



Susan Benedict, Duncan and Dr. White.

Safe Bicycling cavalcade in several rounds of the new Nantucket-Siasconset bicycle path.





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FAMOUS NANTUCKET ISLAND TO CELEBRATE 300th BIRTHDAY IN SPRING, SUMMER OF '59



COOL AND REFRESHING — Long stretches of relaxing white sandy beaches appeal to the visitors arriving at Nantucket. Here is a typical summer scene at Cliffside Beach.

The 300th birthday of famous Nantucket Island, 30 miles off the Massachusetts coast, is being celebrated this year. Once the whaling capital of the world, the little island community looks today as it did in the 1800's when the whaling industry was at its height.

The original purchase of Nantucket was made by 11 men from the Bay State who sought to leave a life of intolerance that existed there in 1639. The island was sold by Thomas Mayhew at a price of "30 pounds of current money and two beaver hats, one for me and one for my wife."

Often called "little grey lady of the sea," Nantucket is the only place in America which can claim being a town, a county and an island, all in one.

Families of the wealthy whalers lived in mansions in Nantucket, constructed at a time in American architectural history when building lines were clean, uncluttered and beautiful. The whaling industry failed just at the time when architecture went through a period of "gingerbread" and "gewgaws" and because of lack of money to make changes, Nantucket's homes remained as they were.

This fact has become one of the island's greatest assets, with people coming from the world over to see fine examples of American architecture.

The 300th anniversary program marking the landing of the first white settlers on Nantucket will feature such events as a concert by members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, exhibits of native Nantucket arts and crafts and a visit by a U.S. Navy destroyer to honor Nantucket's unique place in American naval history.

There will be church suppers and revivals of pleasant Nantucket customs, such as the fireman's muster and the Main Street fete. Approximately 50 per cent of the island's male population is growing beards and there are plans for the women to wear the costume of the 1800's while marketing.

The Olympic trials of the Flying Dutchman class of sailboats will be held at Nantucket this summer, as well as family reunions of the descendants of the first 11 families. Whaling seminars will bring people from all over the country interested in the history of whaling.



Boston Arts Festival To Open June 5, Offers Free Cultural Events

Ballerinas, artisrs, musicians, actors and poets will descend on Boston, to participate in the eighth annual Boston Arts Festival, open free to the public, on the city's famed Public Garden from June 5 for 17 days.

The festival, which has gained nation-wide fame over the years is as much a Boston tradition today as its spires and winding streets and it has no counterpart anywhere for the quality, quantity or value of its events.

A cultural jamboree, featuring an outdoor exhibition of the best in all arts — performing and fine, is presented to make the immense cultural wealth of the area more easily accessible to more people, to give an opportunity for all to see the arts of today and to lend encouragement and recognition to the creative artists in the most direct and meaningful way possible.

Each year, more than a half million attend from all parts of the world to enjoy the outdoor pageant of the arts. It is regarded as a "museum without walls, a theatre without a box office . . . a complete panorama of the arts."

More than 50 leading New England artists will participate with each artist represented by at least two works.

The program is designed to reflect the broadest view of the art achievement of today. From 10 a.m. to almost midnight, the Festival offers a series of opportunities to stroll, browse, reflect, look and listen.

Daytime exhibitions of sculpture, painting and architecture — displayed under open-wing canvas tents and in wheeled units or al fresco midst the Garden flora — along with demonstrations of crafts, are available for the viewer. Evening performances of dance, music, opera and poetry are staged for the more sedentary audience.

Past programs have presented an impressive array of talent including: Martha Graham, Jose Limon, Sophie Maslow and their dance companies; ballet stars such as Maria Tallchief, Andre Eglevsky; poets such as Robert Frost, Carl Sandburg, Archibald MacLeish; plays by Eugene O'Neil, Thornton Wilder, Robert Sherwood, William Saroyan; New England premiers of Menotti's "The Saint of Bleeker Street" "The Consul" and the world premiere of Offenbach's "Voyage to the Moon."

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SUMMER SHOW BIZ
By Elliot Norton
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300-Year-Old Lady

If Nantucket Island isn't herself these days, who can blame her? It isn't every day you get to celebrate the 300th anniversary of your birth, and Nantucket is doing just that.

Islanders are going all out to make the occasion one to be remembered. Many are even dressing the part—appearing in 18th century clothes to add to the old-fashioned atmosphere. More than one delighted visiting dignitary has been met at the island's modern airport by a hoop-skirted and bonneted woman and male counterpart sporting whaler's attire and a grown-for-the-occasion beard.

There's a cake of course. Eleven feet across and about as high—with candles that light up the night for miles around.

The islanders gave themselves another big treat for the occasion. The tab for this one was $7,000, but it was well worth the cost since it represented the importation of 40 members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. A third of the island's 3,500 permanent residents heard the music, and most agreed they wouldn't wait another 300 years before they did it again.

There was a monster clambake, and even a dense fog couldn't keep the crowds away, as more than 500 happy souls made short work of the seafood specials prepared on top of 12 tons of steaming, handpicked stones. Another 5,000 were treated to a giant fireworks display—the largest gathering so far in the island's four-month celebration.



GLIMPSES OF PAST. Nantucket women dress in costumes of early 1800's to provide old-time atmosphere for 300th birthday celebration.

2. Open your mouth wide and place it tightly over the victim's mouth. At the same time pinch the victim's nostrils shut, or close them with your cheek. Or, close the victim's mouth and place your mouth over the nose—you can blow into the victim's nose or mouth. Air may be blown through the victim's teeth, even though they may be clenched.

3. Remove your mouth, turn your head to one side, and listen for the return rush of air that indicates air exchange. Repeat the blowing effort.

For a child, take relatively shallow breaths, appropriate to the child's size, at the rate of about 20 a minute. For an adult, blow vigorously at the rate of about 12 breaths a minute.

If there is an initial failure to get air

developed as a museum. Among articles on display will be original survey maps of the road, muskets of the Revolutionary period, and an old whipping post.

New Hampshire has set an Aug. 1 date for the opening of its new wilderness road—the Kancamagus Highway—between Lincoln and Conway. This 34-mile road is expected to win recognition as one of the most scenic in the northeast. It opens up a huge tract of almost virgin forest and will supply the first direct link between the eastern and western slopes of the greatest mountain ranges in the region. Its height ranges up to 3,000 ft.

Off-Shore Holiday

An article on Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket is featured in the July issue of *Holiday* magazine.

The story describes a four-day $100 trip "sampling the special flavor" of the two islands off Cape Cod. It's one of a series of *Holiday* Thrift Tours.

Author is Benedict Thielen, a six-month-out-of-the-year Vineyard resident.

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NANTUCKET

By Marie Roan Cloud

Nantucket is a magic name. It means "far away island." It means that you can be about as far away as a man can get, with the world well lost except for magnificent quiet, pounding surf, crystal sunshine, and sand. The shifting sands of Nantucket make it a plaything of the sea, changing its shape, building a beach on one end while the ocean eats away the cliffs on the other.

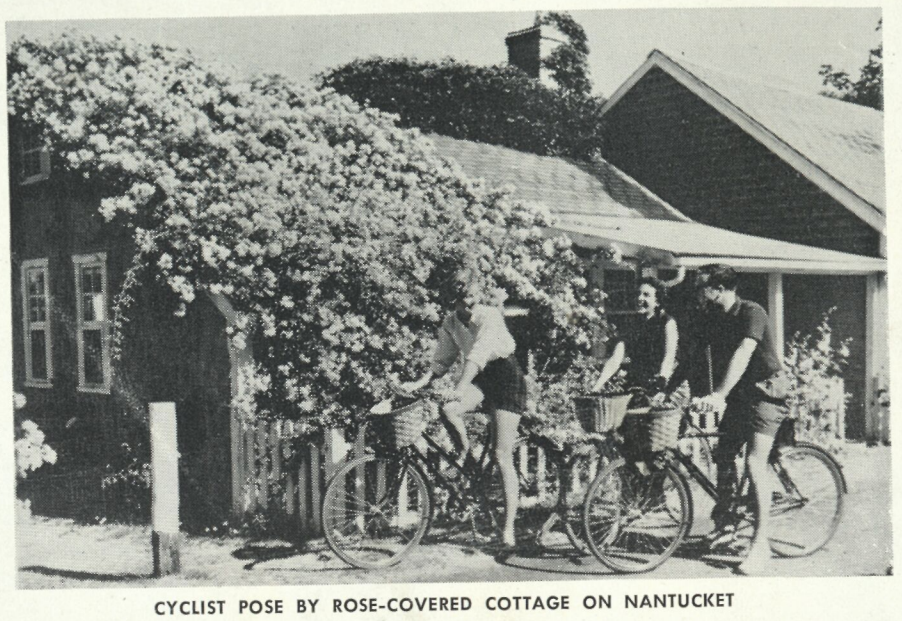
Long ago, when only the Indians inhabited Nantucket, they named it the faraway island. Today, the inhabitants hope to keep it far away from the kind of progress that means taller buildings and smoother streets. In fact, there is an atmosphere, instantly felt, that says to the stranger, "Don't change our island."

Nantucket is many things. It is a paradise of flowers which changes from a riot of red roses in 'Sconset to a parade of hollyhocks growing wild against weathered grey shingles. It is an architectural gem, uncluttered by fads and fashions. It is cobblestoned Main Street, with benches for good gossip. It is an artist's and photographer's promised land, with every scene a picture. It is an island of romance, stopped in time, with every old home a museum of the whaling days.

But let us face it now — Nantucket is not for everyone. If you are a man in a hurry, Nantucket is not for you. If you look for bright lights and late hours, Nantucket is not for you. Curfew is still rung each night to remind the summer visitor that Nantucketers have work to do and need their rest. But if you have imagination and time there are a million things to do. Swimming and sailing, fishing, horseback riding, picnicking, painting, photography, excellent golf courses, bird watching, nature walks. All have a special flavor on Nantucket. Riding the moors is like tasting a little bit of Scotland. A couple of hours in the fine whaling museum will lose you to today, with accounts of three years at sea and an occasional mutiny.

It is almost impossible to get a bad meal on Nantucket during the season. Food is imaginative and decor is mostly in keeping with some aspect of the whaling days. Inns and hotels range from clean, expensive and luxurious to clean and very inexpensive. Most guest houses are run on the concept that cleanliness is next to godliness — in fact, this seems to be a primary rule of thumb, leaving the visitor with the feeling that Nantucket is starched and ironed daily.

Problems of living thirty miles out to sea are things like extra high utility charges and occasional lack of supplies, but the nearly 4,000 year-round residents balance these with the peculiar magic of being left alone in September (the most beautiful time of year). Then old friendships are picked up and the cribbage games begin again downtown at the Pacific Club. Swimming is the best of all. Main street benches provide the setting for the inevitable exchange of theories on the success of the summer and the speculation on what kind of a winter it will be. Hand-hooked rugs and hand-knitted dresses are picked up again. A survey would likely produce more hooked rugs and knitted dresses per capita than any other place in the country.



CYCLIST POSE BY ROSE-COVERED COTTAGE ON NANTUCKET

Though the island's economy depends on the summer visitor, there is a strong desire to bring to Nantucket people who are interested in Nantucket's natural attributes. No effort is ever made to supply amusement parks. No hot dog stands. There is one group of houses which rent by the night, but these are carefully constructed to blend with the classic Island architecture and are the closest thing to a motel which is permitted. The islanders have wisely decided that they are in no position to compete with Coney Island. On the other hand, what they have to offer is unique and must be carefully guarded so as to preserve the flavor.

Keeping Nantucket's charm is a formidable task with the summer population of 20,000 added to the year-round 4,000. This job is divided between the historical association and the townspeople. Most people who summer on the Island, however, enter into the spirit of preserving tradition and look with disfavor upon the occasional short shorts.

Many celebrated persons love Nantucket, and a register of summer visitors would read like Who's Who. You might find yourself in line behind Mrs. Robert Benchley at the one super-market, or see Dr. Paul Dudley White, the president's heart doctor, bicycling along the new cycle road toward 'Sconset. A church fair may be planned by Mrs. Roy Larsen, wife of the head of LIFE Magazine. A fashion show for the benefit of the hospital will feature models such as the beautiful wife of one of America's leading manufacturers of cameras and a young Nantucketer of 16 who has never left the Island.

Next year Nantucket will observe its 300th birthday. In 1659 Thomas Mayhew, sole owner, sold the 15,000 acres to ten men who moved their families to the far away island. Thus began the story of the little island which became the whaling capital of the world — in its heyday the richest little town in America. Wealthy ship captains built beautiful stately homes for their wives and gave duplicates of these homes to their sons for wedding presents. These are the perfect samples of architecture which remain unchanged, because when the whaling industry failed, there was no money on Nantucket, and no one could afford to build on or "improve."

The birthday observance next year will be marked by special events of historical and cultural interest, kept in the tradition of the stately little island. Whaling seminars may be offered for those interested in the salty lore. Walking tours and lectures will present Nantucket in its best light to the visitor. For fun, there will be an old-fashioned fireman's muster, with island hand-pumpers in competition with off-islanders. The time-honored Main Street fete will be revived, and there is the possibility of a goodly number of church suppers. The fast dying old-fashioned New England clambake will be much in evidence. And to spark the celebration will be reunions of descendants of Nantucket's founding families who will "come back home."

A description of the "faraway island" is well-taken in the story told by an innkeeper who was raised on Nantucket and itched to get away to see "the continent" (island terminology for the mainland). He traveled far and wide, and when he came back to stay he said, "Nantucket isn't just a place, it's a way of life. I tell my guests to watch out for our island — they may not want to leave. Especially if they've seen the rest!"

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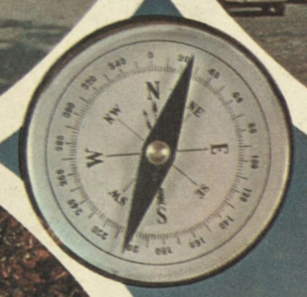
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NANTUCKET—
MARTHA'S VINEYARD

Few places have meant so much to so many as Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. Their surpassing assets, the essence of their charm surely lie in an enviable insular release from the mainland and a happy shortage of fixed attractions. Amid beach, roses, heather, moors, meadows and harbors, with touches of a romantic seafaring tradition, visitors are largely on their own. One should not exclude Cuttyhunk isle nearby, whose inviting beach was the setting for New England's first settlement in 1602. Old towns, white sails and blue water are foremost elements to delight the eye; that halcyon pace, that sense of independence regained are equally rewarding to the heart.

ART EXHIBITIONS: Periodic exhibitions on Martha's Vineyard by resident artists all summer. Instruction available, inq. Martha's Vineyard Art Assoc., Edgartown, Art Workers Guild, Vineyard Haven. Oak Bluffs, arts & crafts, shows & instruction. Annual Sidewalk Art Show usually in Aug., Nantucket Village. The Kenneth Taylor Galleries have continuous exhibits, closed M, free.

ATTRACTIONS: Martha's Vineyard: Gay Head, multi-colored sand cliffs (owned by Indians—village stands nearby), an Eden for painters & photographers. **Oak Bluffs,** State Lobster Hatchery, visitors, life cycle of creature shown. The Campmeeting, an island institution, July-Aug., program at the Tabernacle, community sings, lectures, movies, piano recitals, chamber music, variety shows, The Harpoon Harmonizers; annual "Grand Illumination", chil. playg'nd.

Vineyard Haven: chil. playg'nd. Beach buggies for tours of dunes, beaches, surf fishing. All-island bus tours from Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Vineyard Haven twice daily, summers. Bicycles, cars rentable. The island has package stores, licensed premises.

Nantucket: Wkly. nature walks of Maria Mitchell Assn. leave from Hinchman H'se. Community sings almost every night, summers. The Moors, a rolling wilderness of shrubs, tall grass, is crisscrossed by winding dirt lanes, ideal for thought, picnics, brush or camera. Camp Holiday, chil. day camp. Daily, 40-mi. sightseeing bus trip. Beach bus 9-6 daily. Bikes, autos for rent. Pkg. stores, lic. premises; nothing for rent.

BOATING: Key: B-boat rentals; C-charters; L-launching sites open to all on public ways or commercial facilities; M-motor rentals; P-piers open to all, run by municipalities or commercial piers.

CUTTYHUNK ISLAND: C—connection with Woods Hole and South Dartmouth, Mass., through Lloyd H. Bosworth—connections with New Bedford, a) Capt. Bob Smith, b) Charles W. Tilton.

MARTHA'S VINEYARD ISLAND: **Edgartown:** P, Town Wharf, Finger Piers—L, Tower Hill, State Beach—C, B/M (incl. sailboats)—anchorages—Edgartown Yacht Club; **Menemsha**—P, Dutcher's Dock—anchorages, moorings—L, Town Beach—C,B/M (incl. sailboats); **Oak Bluffs:** P, Bulkhead—moorings—C,B/M (incl. sailboats)—speedboat rides; **Vineyard Haven:** P, Town Dock—moorings (free moorings for up to 2 wks. stay)—C,B/M (incl. sailboats)—Vineyard Haven Yacht Club.

NANTUCKET ISLAND: **Nantucket village**—P,C,B/M (incl. sailboats and instruction)—moorings in harbor—Nantucket Yacht Club; **Madaket:** Anchor.

Splendid water skiing in bays.



OLD WINDMILL, NANTUCKET

CRUISES: Mainland to **Martha's Vineyard** and **Nantucket,** a) The New Bedford, Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamship Authority, a most self-explanatory name, service daily all year (exc. no Friday trips to or from Nantucket in winter) with early June—late Sept. schedule much augmented, passengers, autos (reservations needed in summer, write Steamship Authority, Pier 9, New Bedford, Mass.), special group fares.

b) **Hyannis, Mass.** to Nantucket and **Martha's Vineyard,** Nantucket Express Lines (write line in Hyannis for schedules); **Hyannis, Mass.** to **Nantucket,** M. V. "Siasconset" (write Ocean St. Dock, Hyannis for schedules); **Cuttyhunk** served from mainland as noted in boating section.

The Disarming Vineyard

In an age when nearly every community tries to top the next by trumpeting its assets with phrases purpled by the comparative superlative (or superlative comparative), herewith several distinctive notes from Martha's Vineyard: 150 years ago it was a whaling center and the women would annually produce 6,000 mittens, 15,000 pairs of socks and 600 wigs. The Mayhew Memorial is a humble rockpile; in the 1600s the Rev. Thomas Mayhew was kind to the Indians and after his loss at sea they left a rock whenever passing this spot on Takemmy Trail. That is an Indian term for grinding corn and, as a matter of record, it was a crucial political element in the early days. Corn and beans were adopted as ballots —"The freemen shall use Indian corn and Beanes, the corn to manifest election, the Beanes contrary."

Other trips are, a) 3-hour sail on catboat out of Nantucket village, b) moonlight cruises, sightseeing trips, Church's Pier, Oak Bluffs, Martha's Vineyard, c) shuttle ferry to Chappaquiddick Island from Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard.

GOLF: Martha's Vineyard Island: Martha's Vineyard Country Club (18)—Mink Meadows Golf Course; Nantucket Island: Nantucket Golf Club—Siasconset Golf Club.

HISTORIC HOUSE, SITES, MUSEUMS: Cuttyhunk Island, sand & sea. Marker commem. landing of British navigator, Bartholomew Gosnold, attempting to colonize islands, 1602. Lack of food caused failure.

Martha's Vineyard, Edgartown, brick Lighthouse with 100-yr. old Fresnel lens & mechanism, formerly at Gay Head Light. Thomas Cooke H'se (1776), museum, whaling momentos, ship models, portraits, antique china, Indian relics, scrimshaw, Colonial household utensils, ref. library, both belong to Dukes County Hist. Soc., open June-Oct. Tu-Sa 10-12, 2-4:30, Su 2-4:30, Oct.-June M, W, Sa 2-4, by appt. Public Library, collection of paintings.

North Tisbury village, Mayhew Monument, erected by Indians nearly 300 yrs. ago. Mayhew & Christiantown Chapels, memorials to Praying Indians, open wkdays July-Aug. Indian Burying Ground.

Vineyard Haven, Seacoast Defense Chapter, D.A.R. Historical Bldg., Historic items, scrimshaw.

West Tisbury village, Carriage & Boat Shed of Dukes Co. Hist. Soc., full-rigged whaling vessel, various early small boats, island relics, old fire engine.

Nantucket's Birthday

Breasting the currents of conformity as much as those of the Atlantic surrounding her, Nantucket, with its gentle harbor, cobblestoned village, its lone beach and heather, goes its own way and is the more beloved for it. This happy insular propensity will be brought into focus this year as Nantucket observes a 300th birthday.

Who would think of celebrating with, among other doings, sundry lectures on whaling? Or a party Sept. 15 for a lady astronomer long departed. Such events are entirely appropriate, for Nantucket was the world's greatest whaling port 150 years ago; the astronomer was the talented and persevering Maria Mitchell, who won a king's medal for discovering a comet in the last century and whose observatory is open to visitors. The whaling programs are July 15-17 and Aug. 12-14, to take note of those dashing days.

The birthday turns on the sale July 2, 1659, of 15,000 acres of land to mainlanders by Thomas Mayhew, then sole owner of the island. Unhappy with harsh Puritan rule on the North Shore, the buyers came from Newbury and Salisbury, Mass., and they paid "30 Pounds and 2 beaver Hats."

This year, July 2 is to be marked by a pageant, music, an evening ball and street dancing, the latter after island traditions of street fairs and after-dark street singing. The Boston Symphony Orchestra will give a commemorative concert June 21 and five others with visiting artists will take place July 6, July 20, Aug. 3, Aug. 17 and Aug. 31.

On Aug. 18, Main St. will be blocked off for the Main Street Fete, a varied gymkhana with pageantry, exhibits, sales of indigenous items and tours of old homes. A firemen's muster, with teams vieing on their ancient and gorgeous hand-pumpers is set for Aug. 5-6. Square dances are scheduled every other Tuesday night. Divers special flower shows, some permitting a peek at the splendid estates hereabout, are also planned.

Daily guided tours as well as carriage trips (see our cover shot) beginning on June 20 also bring out in pleasing tones the flavor of a community at once both sedate and jaunty.

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Celebrating this year
its 300th Anniversary is the
Isle of Yesterday and Today—

NANTUCKET

by Lawrence Dame

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STRETCH OF SAND AND FROLIC WIND, the Island of Nantucket is something like a wave-scoured whalebone bristling out of the Atlantic thirty miles off the Massachusetts mainland. Said by legend to have been created, along with neighboring Martha's Vineyard, by an Indian chief shaking sand out of his moccasins, one of the last havens of rugged individualists in this nation hasn't changed so much as you might think from the mid-nineteenth-century period when she ranked as whaling capital of the seven seas.

Lack of change remains the illusion that captures thousands of devoted summer folk as well as trippers to the island every year. Boosting the vacation-time population from the normal 3000 to about 15,000, they comfortably ignore the irksome shifts that modernism tries to impose. But even the slow, old-fashioned pace of island existence that they adore, with its feeling of remoteness, can't quite hide the facts of life.

Town offices, housed in quaintly cramped structures of Civil War vintage, must soon be concentrated in a new home though there is no money to build it. And it's a job as tough as snagging a whale to keep the tax rate at fifty dollars.

However much the crotchety native may brood about such matters, the more or less temporary resident continues to wax ecstatic over what is truly a museum piece of Americana.

Some thousand of the gray salt-box dwellings with baskets

Long ago, whaling was carried on from Nantucket's shores→

seem to grow more vivid in this salty air than on the mainland. Two hundred kinds of birds choose this for a summer sanctuary. It's a cyclist's dream; and the sun bather may spread unmolested near thunderous surf on great stretches of sand.

Thousands of newcomers are enjoying this during the current summer as Nantucket celebrates her three hundredth birthday. The cobbled streets and hedge-lined lanes of Nantucket Town, of Sconset, the principal village, (maps show it as Siasconset, which it was called in earlier times) and of such tiny havens of peace and sun-living as Wauwinet, Polpis, Quaise, Quidnet and Madaket are at their most spectacular in summer.

Of course autumn stages a fine show all over the island's thirty-thousand-acre expanse, minor in scale to the great color symphonies of Vermont but heartwarming to the nature lover.

Winter is generally a drear period when the harbor may freeze and people stay mostly indoors, often living on island scallops, venison and pheasant out of the deep freeze. They lovingly nurse feuds and watch mainland antics through aerials and newspapers with quizzical detachment. Some of the most delicious homemade pastries, bread and jams in the world make the cold days tolerable. The island's best entertainment, the weekly meeting of selectmen, who tend toward pungent wit when business drags, rarely draws the crowd it deserves. People read about such affairs in the island's two pithy and hotly competitive little papers.

Spring, as everywhere, is a time of re-awakening, warm with thoughts of the summer folk coming back, with the resulting tidy income many islanders count upon. Then the hardy men of twenty to seventy who might have gone whaling in the old days, when Nantucket sent four hundred square-riggers round the world, remember for the umpteenth time their fall promises to fix summer people's roofs, paint their houses and get their gardens into shape. The cash of the previous summer has just about run out and the bills have reached the "limit of maturity."

Meanwhile, the off-islanders, who vainly hope to be accepted

Modern-day view of boats in Nantucket Harbor at sunset→



Sankaty Head Light, Sconset

Old windmill still operates

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The great days have gone now. Tourism and summer folks are the only big business. If you want to buy a cartload of superior quality antique atmosphere, there's plenty to spare aboard Nantucket! ■

Trees line the square on cobble-stoned Main Street

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For Nantucket, unlike Williamsburg, didn't have to be restored by a benefactor's millions. She just grew the way she is. When whaling went into its decline, the population dropped from 8000 to 3000 and nobody was left with enough money to modernize the town.

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Thus it has been for centuries on this strange little isle, from the years when the first islanders sighted whales off the beach at Sconset and went out in rowboats in view of the Indians to get cash-crop oil.

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as Nantucketers some day, are yearning in their main homes for the peace that is Nantucket. Once they arrive, with unflagging enthusiasm, season after season, they regard a nod from a horny-handed, taciturn native as equivalent to a bow from the President. Yet no matter how high and mighty they may be back home, never will they be accepted as equals by the authentic and sometimes crusty descendants of whalers and old settlers.

Characters of more or less endearing qualities abound on an island where everything from plants to human beings must be strong in order to survive.

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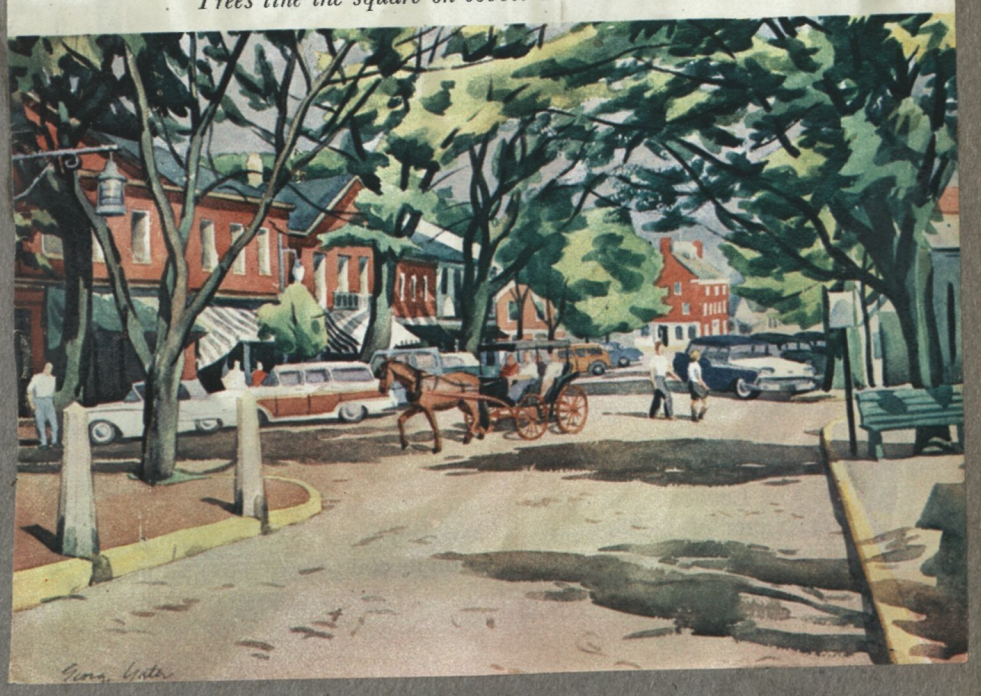


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An Atmosphere of the Past



by EDOUARD A. STACKPOLE

Edouard Stackpole is a native born Nantucketer, a former editor of the island's *Inquirer and Mirror* and author of note. He is currently curator of the Marine Historical Association of the Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut.

THE ISLAND OF NANTUCKET WAS flung by nature into the sea. Like a lonely outpost, separated from the nearest mainland by thirty miles of ocean, this green gem of land takes the giant buffets of the stormy Atlantic with a strength buttressed by a rampart of hidden shoals and white, sandy beaches. There is a deep tranquillity to the island, a charm which has a quality of firmness, like the strong purpose which is a heritage from the Quaker whalemen who made it famous.

If there is a single characteristic to this unusual island it would be in that mysterious substance known as the atmosphere of the past. Despite the crassness of modernity, Nantucket has been able to retain this flavor of historic yesterdays. Its intrinsic value as a resort town (and that is how it makes its living today) is in its presentation of the last unspoiled bit of eighteenth century America preserved as if by a miracle for the future.

To comprehend this remarkable little island's claim to fame; to appreciate its innate historic charm, and to enjoy its unique advantages as a vacation land is a package of opportunity afforded to people in all walks of life. The student of history, the summer vacationist, the "tripper" and the islander are sharing this year in a rare experience, for Nantucket of 1959 is enjoying its 300th birthday, and the "party" is open to all who wish to participate.

The very simplicity of Nantucket's earliest days has an instant appeal. Viewed in the light of today, the question arising so naturally is why the first families sought out this island for settlement. Isolated by miles of open sea; building homes on an island amidst one thousand Indians; deliberately placing themselves apart from other English settlements, these founders of Nantucket immediately identified themselves as a courageous and resourceful people. For the first two decades they lived in splendid remoteness, quietly rooting themselves in their island fastness—a castle designed by nature with the sea as a moat.

Three elemental factors soon merged to bring about a veritable kingdom in the sea. First, the geographical isolation brought into being a people inbred with a spirit of self-reliance; secondly, the adoption of the business of whaling formed an industry for them to pursue; and third, the adoption of the tenets of the Society of Friends brought a practical and vigorous religion to the islanders which was to mold them into a breed of sea-hunters the world had never known.

The singleness of purpose which was to characterize the Nantucket for the next two centuries was created by these three major factors. The blend was irresistible. Before the eighteenth century was fairly launched, these Quaker whalemen were hunting the whale as far north as the Straits of Belle Isle and, to the south, had reached the South American coast. While the first rumbles of the Revolution were reverberating on the mainland, the Nantucketers were bringing home oily cargoes from the Falkland islands and the Coast of Africa. Not even the disasters of two major wars which destroyed their whaleships could check them, and a half century beyond the birth of the Republic the pioneer whalemen of Nantucket had again made their little island kingdom the foremost whaling port in the entire world.

Today, no matter what season of the year, the visitor to Nantucket may still feel the presence of these ancient whalemen. Of course, the old town, with its grey-shingled houses, its narrow streets and winding lanes, its quiet wharves, and cobbled market-place, present the telling evidences of a past redolent of history. The rolling green heathland of the open commons, with groves of stunted pine, hidden thickets of beech, and swamp growths of high bush blueberry to break the sweep of the undulating vista; the white sand of the curving beaches, like a band of silver holding in this green gem of island; the blue sea, gently washing the northern shore and rolling in majestic breakers on the south, east and western beaches, serving as a velvet setting for the gem—all form the gift which nature has brought to this jewel of the Atlantic.

In today's confused world, the Nantucketers who created their kingdom of the sea would feel quite acclimated. They feared neither elements nor man; they lived in their island-town as they lived on the decks of their whaleships, strong with the courage of their way of life.

And though their especial maritime kingdom has long since vanished, they have left America a legacy far richer than any of which they had ever dreamed. It is a legacy of freedom of enterprise and is woven into the history, economy and geography of our nation. Here, indeed, is a fitting inheritance from a kingdom of the sea.



COLORFUL NEW ENGLAND

This is the fourth of YANKEE's "Colorful New England" series. We believe New England has more real color than any other region and that it is high time someone "did something about it" on the finest paper, by the finest printing, from the finest photographs available. As now planned, this series will run for eight months, through November, perhaps longer. Tell us how you like it. We can furnish art prints, suitable for framing, rolled in a tube, for 25c each, $2.00 for the series of 8, *ready now.*

Typical Street on Nantucket, Massachusetts
Photograph by Arthur Griffin.



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Earl Coffin (left) and helper set stones. They are heated, then covered with seaweed.

Coffee, melted butter accompany the "bake's" staples, steamed and ready for takers.





NANTUCKET CLAMBAKE

Nantucket, historic New England whaling center, is celebrating its 300th anniversary this summer. This little island, 28 miles out in the Atlantic off Cape Cod, still preserves many vestiges of its famous past: centuries-old Colonial homes, cobblestoned streets and one of the oldest and most delightful of American institutions—the clambake.

As the pictures on these pages indicate, clams are only a small part of a Nantucket clambake. Yet their briny flavor permeates the whole feast, which traditionally includes lobster, corn and potatoes. Paradoxically, too, the food in a proper Nantucket "bake" is actually steamed between layers of seaweed heated on a base of white-hot stones. That is the method used, with the happy results shown, by "bakemaster" Earl Coffin, son of "Cap'n" Jim Coffin, the island's top bakemaster for 35 years.

In a large-scale clambake, which may feed as many as 200 people, the entire day is spent first preparing, then eating. Earl's formula, given below, left, can be applied to serve any number of guests. With the suggested changes in procedure, even a kitchen or back-yard version of the clambake can be prepared, enabling "off-islanders" as well to enjoy this unique Nantucket specialty.

EARL COFFIN'S CLAMBAKE FORMULA

Seashore Clambake: *Build pile of large stones 2-3 feet high, 4 feet wide; fill in with smaller stones. Cover with kindling, hardwood logs. Let burn down, 2-4 hours. Rake away embers; work fast so rocks retain heat. Spread rocks in flat circle. (Use left-over embers to heat coffee, melt butter.) Place 8-inch layer of damp seaweed over hot rocks. (Wash seaweed well to remove sand.) Pile on food: steamer clams, frankfurters and sausages, all in cheesecloth bags; whole lobsters, sweet and white potatoes, sweet corn (leave on several layers of husk). Cover all with damp seaweed, then with tarpaulin about 3 feet larger in circumference. Shovel sand over tarpaulin to cover and seal edges. Let steam 1-2 hours. Carefully remove sand and tarpaulin. Uncover the "bake." Put food into large, warm pans. Serve with melted butter, salt and pepper, breads, cold beer, iced watermelon and coffee.* Average serving: *1 quart clams, 1-2 ears corn and 1 lobster, sweet and white potato, frankfurter, sausage. If real clambake enthusiasts are expected, better allow more for "seconds."*

Kitchen Clambake: *Use kitchen range or barbecue pit, large bucket, washtub or metal can. Follow procedure above, substituting metal foil for tarpaulin. Lobster, clams and seaweed may be mail-ordered from Maine for in-land clambakes. If seaweed is not available, use damp corn husks. Steam 1-2 hours.*

The payoff: a table full of hearty foods with appetites to match.



This authentic American sea-food feast is a

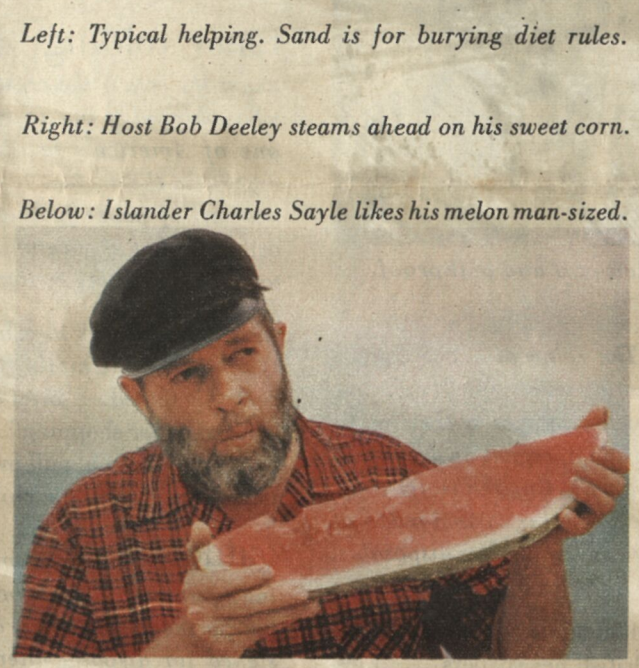
Clambake components, prepared by a centuries-old method, offer a tempting variety of good eating. The steaming bed of seaweed serves both as oven and seasoner.



Left: Typical helping. Sand is for burying diet rules.

Right: Host Bob Deeley steams ahead on his sweet corn.

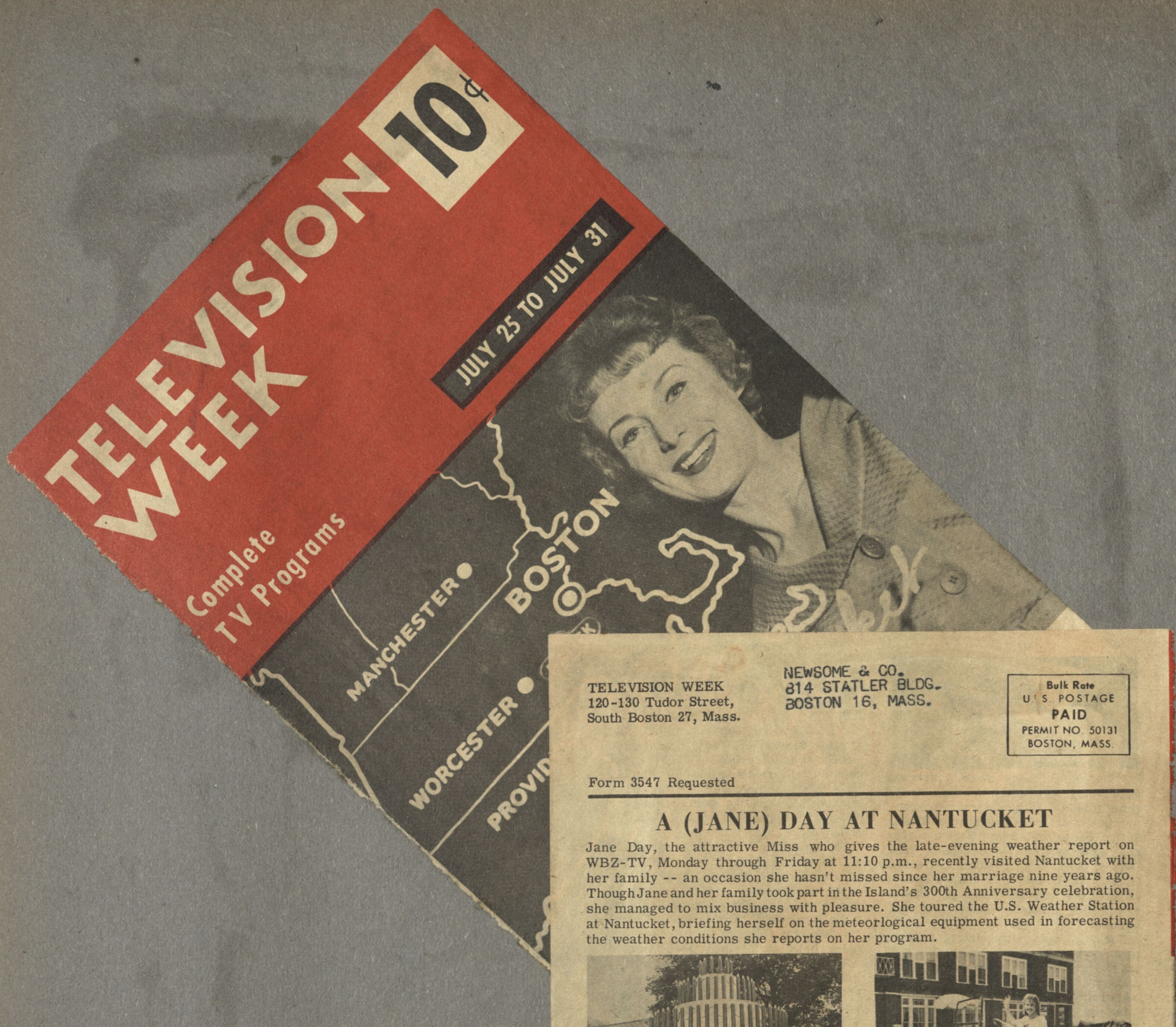
Below: Islander Charles Sayle likes his melon man-sized.





treasured island specialty on Nantucket, where "bakemastering" is still an honored art

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A (JANE) DAY AT NANTUCKET

Jane Day, the attractive Miss who gives the late-evening weather report on WBZ-TV, Monday through Friday at 11:10 p.m., recently visited Nantucket with her family -- an occasion she hasn't missed since her marriage nine years ago. Though Jane and her family took part in the Island's 300th Anniversary celebration, she managed to mix business with pleasure. She toured the U.S. Weather Station at Nantucket, briefing herself on the meteorlogical equipment used in forecasting the weather conditions she reports on her program.



ANY BOY'S DREAM -- Young Chuckie Marsland -- shown with his mother, WBZ-TV weather girl Jane Day - seems justifiably awed by the huge birthday cake commemorating Nantucket Island's 300th Anniversary.



WOMAN DRIVER! -- During her visit to Nantucket, Jane took part in the Island's antique auto motorcade, another of the festivities commemorating the 300th Anniversary.



NEIGHBORLY CALL -- Jane and Chuckie pause during papoose-style bicycle tour of Nantucket to call on Bob Lloyd, owner of the Sea Cliff Inn.



WEATHER CHECK -- Jane takes time out from the pleasure of her Nantucket visit for a little weather business. Here she checks the facilities of the U. S. Weather Station on the Island with meteorological technician Clyde Blackwood.

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WBZ-TV's Weather Girl, JANE DAY, holds son, "CHUCKY", up to the huge birthday cake commemorating Nantucket's 300th birthday. Jane took part in the recent festivities as the guest of Nantucket

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SEMECO Salutes Nantucket On Its Tercentenary Observance



Edouard Stackpole, curator of the world-famous museum at Mystic, Conn., which depicts a seaport town as it was in Colonial days, was the featured speaker as another famous port of bygone years celebrated its 300th anniversary. Stackpole is shown addressing the crowd at the gigantic clambake, part of Nantucket Island's tercentenary celebration.

NANTUCKET ISLAND

Thirty miles at sea, the outpost of America we know as Nantucket is an island, a town and a county all in one. Nantucket people, descendents of a hardy line of whalers and seafarers who made their island home known in the far corners of this world, know how to protect their natural resources. Not one billboard nor one neon sign has been allowed on the island which banned the automobile until 1918. Here we see a community that has turned adversity into profit. When bad times slowed development many years ago, the hardy islanders saw to it that the charm of their ancient community remained as it was in its heyday, and the old cobbled stoned streets,, narrow for the use of carts and pedestrians ,have not been made into race tracks, while the age old shops and piers of whaling days remain as they were a century ago, although put to modern usage. The town homes of her seafaring ancestors have been kept as they were, while the implements and relics of whaling days are preserved in museums for the modern public to see. Behind it all is a friendly atmosphere created by the natives who make the visitor feel that he is not only welcomed to their island home but a part of it.

Anyone interested in promotion of natural resources in our communities would do well to visit this island and see the masterful promotion of its three hundredth anniversary. Tailored to fit Nantucket, it is an object lesson to the promotion-minded person, who will see a community constantly aware of its resources and continually working to protect what nature and the industry of former generations have left as a birthright to an intelligent and charm-conscious community.

SEMECO salutes Nantucket on its 300th anniversary.



Congressman Joseph W. Martin, Jr., Republican representative of North Attleboro and a former speaker of the House of Representatives, was among the many famous personalities who helped the residents of Nantucket Island celebrate the community's 300th birthday. Here Martin chats with George Jones (left), chairman of the 300th anniversary committee.

····· SEMECO BRIEFS ·····

APPROVES LOANS FOR TWO FIRMS

The Small Business Administration, which recently completed a business survey of Brockton, announce the approval of two loans to local firms for business expansion, out of 24 approved in New England.

According to the regional director, Edward J. Stewart, a loan of $27,000 has been approved for the Beauty Top Lift Co., Inc., which has 15 employes. A loan of $25,000 was approved to the Matsam Corp., a department store with 22 employes.

The Beauty Top Lift Co. manufactures leather insoles and outsoles. Twenty-four loans amounting to $1,487,500 were approved in June for New England firms.

BOOST EASTON PARADE SET FOR SEPTEMBER

Members of the Easton Chamber of Commerce, civic leaders, merchants and townspeople are completing plans for a "Boost Easton" parade in September, date to be announced.

The parade will be led by "Miss Easton", Miss Edna F. Greiner, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Anderson, 240 Lincoln street, and her court, Miss Gail Mitchell and Miss Nancy Hall. All town officials, leaders from surrounding towns will be greeted by Pres. William N. Cummings of the Easton Chamber of Commerce.

Easton's leading industries are co-operating and will have floats. The newly organized Oliver Ames High school band under the baton of J. Donald Amirault, director of instrumental music for this town's public school instrumental classes, will have charge of musical arrangements. It is also planned to have other bands participate.

MILL CONVERTED

Part of the old Wamsutta Mill in New Bedford is being converted into a supermarket. People's Super Market has announced the purchase of Wamsutta's No. 8 mill on Logan street. The New Bedford firm says it will remodel the building so that a supermarket can be opened within the former textile mill.

OPENS WAREHOUSE

The E. C. Hall Co., Brockton has opened a cash and carry operation at 17 Elm street, Hyannis, to serve retail grocers on Cape Cod. The Hall company is a wholesaler of Nation-Wide products.

The firm first opened a Hyannis warehouse in 1927 and for many years was the only wholesaler on the Cape. The original warehouse was sold last year, and the cash-and-carry operation will serve until a new warehouse is built. Land on Yarmouth road has been purchased for the latter.

NEW MARKET

First National Stores will build a new supermarket on Nantucket Island. Three acres of land between Lower Pleasant street and Sparks avenue have been purchased by the firm, according to the Nantucket County Registry of Deeds. Plans call for construction to get underway in the fall after the flood of summer vacationers has left the island resort.

TO BE SEEN TO BE SEEN ON TV

The Brockton Public Market's Stoughton store and its owner

McCall's Magazine Honors Tedeschi's

McCall's magazine has honored Joseph A. Sullivan, advertising manager for Tedeschi's Super Markets, a five-store chain headquartered in Rockland. The McCall award was presented to Sullivan at the 22nd annual Super Market Institute convention in Atlantic City, N. J.

The award, presented by Arthur B. Langlie, president of the McCall Corp., was for the best special events ad submitted by an SMI member doing between $5 million and $20 million dollars in annual business. The ad appeared in the Quincy Patriot-Ledger and saluted Tedeschi's new neighbor in Braintree, the Zayre department store, located next to the super market chain's Route 128 store.

Another area firm, Fernandes Super Markets of Norton, received an honorable mention in the advertising competition. Fernandes operates stores in Norton, Mansfield, Plainville, East Bridgewater and Randolph.

BUSES REPLACE TRAINS ON CAPE-NEW YORK RUN

Buses have replaced trains as the main transportation link between New York City and Providence and Cape Cod points. The buses, operated by the Short Lines of Providence and Greyhound Lines, were pressed into service when the New Haven railroad dropped its crack New York-Cape trains, the Cape Codder and the Neptune.

Three buses operate daily between Providence and the Cape with an extra bus making the run every Friday. Buses leave Providence at 12:15 P. M., 3 P. M., and 4:45 P. M., arriving in Falmouth at 2:05, 4:50 and 6:40 P. M., and in Woods Hole at 2:15, 5 and 6:50 P. M.

The extra bus on Friday leaves Providence at 7:30 P. M., arriving in Falmouth at 9:17 and at Woods Hole at 9:27.

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Semeco Camera At Nantucket's Tercentenary Celebration

Top left — This is just part of the huge crowd which jammed Nantucket Island for the tercentenary clambake July 2, one of the highlights of the community's 300th anniversary celebration.

Top right — The 8th Air Force Band, stationed at Westover Air Force Base, Westover, Mass., entertained the huge throng which jammed Nantucket Island on July 2 as the community began its celebration of the 300th anniversary of its settlement.

Bottom left — A touch of old Nantucket in old Boston. Marie R. Cloud, technical director of Nantucket Island's 300th anniversary celebration, and State Rep. Robert Mooney flank the island community's display in the corridors of the State House, Boston.

Bottom center — Among those who helped Nantucket Island celebrate the 300th Anniversary of its settlement were these distinguished persons. They include State Rep. Robert Mooey, extreme left front; Kenneth Pease, chairman of the Nantucket Board of Selectmen, standing next to Rep. Mooney; Cong. Joseph W. Martin, Jr., center; George Jones, chairman of the anniversary committee, immediately behind Cong. Martin; Cong. Hastings Keith of West Bridgewater, to the right of Mr. Jones, and John Golden, secretary of the Nantucket Chamber of Commerce, to the right of Cong. Keith.

Bottom right — Anyone for lobster? Helping hands get everything in readiness for the huge clambake on July 2, one of the outstanding features of Nantucket Island's 300th anniversary celebration.











Tris takes off for Nantucket from Princeton, N. J., with his father and sisters. Mother stayed home.

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Tristram Coffin, aged eight, attends a huge New England family reunion in Nantucket



WHEN PROFESSOR DAVID COFFIN of Princeton (smoking pipe, upper left) was invited to Nantucket to attend the first Coffin family reunion since 1881, he decided he would take his son and daughters and go. His son is named Tristram after the Coffin who came to America from England in 1642 to escape persecution and, with eight others, bought the 14-mile-long island of Nantucket just 300 years ago. Old Tristram was the progenitor of 75 grandchildren and seven generations of whalers. At the reunion, young Tris met 416 relatives of all ages and occupations, including one Coffin who owns a cemetery. They came from as far away as Oregon, Nebraska, California, Maine, Michigan, Kansas, Texas and Nova Scotia.

Boy meets 416 cousins



He surveys Nantucket from yacht "Cousin" Floyd sailed from Cape Cod. One Coffin came by private plane.



Costumed Coffin descendant, Jane Lamb, pins name tag with Coffin coat of arms on Tris's T shirt.

"Pop" Coffin, 79, from Springfield, Mass., came with 12-speed bike. Here, he shows Tris Main Street.



Tris stands in for group picture of Coffin clan at the Jethro Coffin House. Built in 1686, it is famous as the oldest house on Nantucket Island.



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Fishing for crabs with his new friends is one of the most exciting fringe benefits of the reunion.



After reunion, Tris runs free on the beach as two costumed Coffins relax more sedately in front of the Boat House, which rents to summer visitors for $100 a day.

This Coffin is more interested in crabs than in whales

When young Tris Coffin is older, he will fully appreciate the once-in-a-lifetime experience of attending his family's reunion. The Coffin genealogical record is one of the most complete in the country, even though old Tristram's descendants may number as many as 100,000, dead and alive. They are scattered all over the world now, but in 1774, they controlled most of the 150 whaling ships that sailed out of Nantucket. When whale oil was replaced by kerosene, the Coffins turned to other vocations, remembering their motto: *Post tenebras speramus lumen de lumine* (After the darkness, we hope for light from the source of light).

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Children roam moors next to 237-year-old Elihu Coleman house, where Micajah Coffin wooed Elihu's daughter Abigail.





It's Cape Cod!

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Chatham Light is the first light you see returning from Europe. Here at dusk you can sight the shimmering beams of a dozen other lighthouses down the coast. Chatham, by the way, is fine shopping ground. At Harwich Port, you can stop for lunch at Snow Inn's Clam Bar, where you'll see fishing boats coming in the village's unique harbor cove, some unloading their catch in front of you at Snow Inn docks. The Inn, in its 69th year of operation, is run by its fourth generation of Thompsons. The present owner, Frank Thompson (whose grandmother was a Snow) is almost as big as the Inn itself—300 pounds after dieting. And the food in the main dining room is reason enough. The Inn is an improbable series of mixed Colonial cottages on the beach below the main building that has grown with the years like Topsy.

But the most disarming matron of all is 30 miles out to sea in the Sound—Nantucket Island, "The Little Gray Lady." She has a weathered-gray complexion from many years of living at sea. Her cobblestone streets are unchanged since the booming whaling days. Boats from Hyannis and Woods Hole leave for Nantucket daily. This year Nantucket celebrates her 300th birthday with a summer-long program of events.

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Martha's Vineyard-Nantucket



Menemsha: For tourists in search of the salty life, this boating and fishing village on Martha's Vineyard offers lobsters, clean air and sea bathing.



by Benedict Thielen

Four days of sampling the special flavor of two rival islands, by a couple who knew one intimately and learned about the other—for only $100

● When the editors of *Holiday* recently asked me what I would do as a four-day tourist on Martha's Vineyard and its companion island Nantucket, I welcomed the chance to tell them. For twenty-five years I have lived for six months of each year on the Vineyard and felt I could toss off at least one half of this assignment from my armchair. But the editors insisted that to play the game fairly my wife and I should actually make the tour, just like any visitor, starting off from the mainland. We were allotted $100 to cover meals, tips, entertainment and sightseeing during our four-day junket. Hotel accommodations and shopping were to come out of a separate budget.

Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket both lie off the coast of Massachusetts, south of Cape Cod. An hour's plane ride, more or less, from New York or Boston will get you there, or you can take the ferry from Woods Hole, at the heel of the Cape. Since we were already on home ground, we chose the water route.

The Vineyard is only three quarters of an hour from the mainland but as the ferry pulls out from the Woods Hole slip you feel a spiritual as well as physical sense of turning your back on the land. From now on it is the sea that counts. On Cape Cod, too, you are aware of the presence of the sea but, at the same time, you know that only a narrow canal separates you from the land. As you approach the Vineyard you can still see the distant shore, but the Vineyard is a thing in itself, unattached, complete, self-sufficient as a ship.

We could have stayed in Vineyard Haven, the pleasant little town where the ferry lands, but we knew that liquor is banned there by local option. While neither our inclinations nor our budget called for a four-day binge, there was something faintly depressing in the thought of total-abstinence. As a consequence we boarded a bus at the wharf which took us along the shore and half an hour later deposited us in Edgartown. Two blocks from the bus station, on North Water Street, was the Daggett House, built in 1750, where we were to stay. From our room we could look out over a block-long garden that sloped down to the wharves where whalers once tied up, and to the harbor beyond.

In 1840 board and lodging at the Daggett House was $1.40 a week. Now the minimum double rate is $16 a day, European plan, but we paid it without a murmur. We could equally well have stayed at the Colonial Inn, the Captain Fisher House or the Edgartown Inn, close by on the same street.

Going on the theory that it's always a good idea to get one's bearings in a strange place before embarking on any violent activities, we spent the next few hours wandering along the water front and through the tree-shaded streets of the old town. The harbor was filled with scudding sails and the streets with young people, usually carrying some

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item of sailing gear and headed toward the water. At one time Edgartown was second only to Nantucket as a whaling port; the tradition of the sea persists not only in the handsome old captains' houses that look down from Water Street to the harbor but in the activities of the people who come here to spend the summer months.

Settled in 1642, Edgartown is the oldest community on the island and, though it is flourishing and busy in a small, unhurried way, it gives off a strong sense of the past. The imposing, massively columned Methodist church on Main Street was built almost entirely by contributions from whaling captains, and the Vineyard's excellent weekly newspaper, the *Gazette*, has its offices in a house that dates from pre-Revolutionary days. A pagoda tree, brought back as a seedling from China, shades one of the old captains' houses on South Water Street. On the same street is the home of Captain Valentine Pease in whose ship, the *Acushnet*, Herman Melville sailed to the Pacific before writing *Moby Dick*.

In the old Squire Cooke house, at Cooke and School streets—a true "ship-shape" house, built by ship's carpenters, its floors sloping away from the central chimney as a ship's deck slopes down to her rail—the Dukes County Historical Society has assembled a large collection of old furniture, whaling gear, Indian artifacts and other Vineyardiana (admission free). In its garden stands the original oil-lit lens of the Gay Head lighthouse, retired after ninety-six years of service.

Walking back along Main Street toward the water front, we passed a number of shops whose windows were filled with the Madras shirts, Bermuda shorts and Shetland sweaters which are summer Edgartown's uniform-of-the-day. We stoutly resisted entering Robin Hood's Barn or the Country Store, but when we came to a place called the Orient Trader we weakened and went in. Here our sales resistance held out, though with difficulty, before a pottery Chinese horse at $4.45 and a jadelike porcelain bowl at $3.95, but finally collapsed before a fish cut from the iridescent heart of a shell for only 65 cents.

It was now noon, so we turned in at the Boathouse Bar, next door, and sat looking out over the harbor while we consumed two fairly expensive, but large and superior hamburgers and a beer apiece. Our tab

for this, with tip and the Massachusetts 5 per cent Old Age tax (all taxes will hereafter be included in these sordid details) came to $3.40. Down at the dock sailboats were bobbing on the sunny water, so, made reckless by malt, we hired one (half day: $8). Katama Bay is large and landlocked, and at its far end you can see the surf breaking on the South Shore beyond. At regatta time or when the fleet of the New York Yacht Club calls on its summer cruise the bay is crowded and at all times it is busy with small craft. But somehow we were able to avoid remaining too long on a collision course and despite some difficulty in making a mooring on our return, it was a thoroughly satisfactory afternoon.

Aside from the hotel dining rooms, Martha's Vineyard doesn't offer a wide choice of eating places. The Edgartown Café—known to the initiates, who are so sophisticated that they can afford to mispronounce it, as The Kafe—has a disarmingly modest appearance. Fortunately, since we were going to take in a performance at the Edgartown Summer Theater, we got to the café early and were quickly seated. Half an hour later, however, people were standing wistfully by the door, cocktail parties were surging in en masse, and it became quite apparent that reservations are a very good idea. Preceded by old-fashioneds and a proper New England quahog chowder (in which the clams swim in milk and *never* among tomatoes), accompanied by fresh corn and French fries, assisted by beer, and followed by blueberry pie, our sea scallops made a very satisfactory meal at $6.75.

Glancing through the schedule of the Summer Theater after we had taken our seats, we found that we had narrowly escaped a performance of *Charley's Aunt* and were about to see *A Visit to a Small Planet* instead. The theater is located in the Town Hall and, either intentionally or because of space limitations, functions in the round. Given my choice, I'd rather recapture the childhood thrill of seeing a curtain, preferably bearing the caption ASBESTOS, rise between the columns of the proscenium.

But it was an agreeable evening and when we totaled up the day's expenses and found we had spent $23.25 we felt that we had invested our money wisely.

When we awoke the next morning and looked out at the dense fog that shrouded the harbor we reversed our opinion of the night before and thought briefly of cut-rate summer package tours to Florida. But shortly after breakfast (at a small coffee shop a block away) the fog burned off, as it usually does on Martha's Vineyard. Walking down to the end of the Daggett House garden, we embarked on a small square ferry named *On Time* for a voyage of several hundred yards across the harbor (fare, 10 cents each). We made our landfall on the island of Chappaquiddick—said to have produced a larger percentage of whaling captains per capita than any other place in the country—and headed for the Beach Club. For a fee of $1 we were able to change into bathing suits and then to sun and swim in the calm waters



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being out at sea. This isolation is one of the things that Nantucketers value most highly. To them the Vineyard is as land-bound as Vineyarders consider Cape Cod. As we sat on deck, finishing our sandwiches and a beer at the ship's lunch counter and watched the red-chimneyed gray houses, the white church steeples and the old wharves of Nantucket town gradually becoming clearer in the salty air, we could see what they meant. We could see too what Melville meant when he wrote in *Moby Dick:* "Nantucket! Take out your map and look at it. See what a real corner of the world it occupies; how it stands there, away offshore, more lonely than the Eddystone lighthouse."

Since it is larger than any of the Vineyard towns, Nantucket offers a wider range of accommodations. There are big hotels like the Mad Hatter and the Harbor House, smaller ones such as the Ship's Inn and the Overlook, and innumerable guest houses, many of them old captains' homes. It was one of these, Mrs. Ayers' on Union Street, a block from the harbor, that we chose ($10 with private bath). After admiring the roses that filled the back garden, we set out to explore the town.

There is a great deal to see in Nantucket town and a great many shops to sidetrack the earnest sight-seer. In all of them the whale is inescapable as a motif. At The Emporium, on Main Street, there's a whale embroidered on an apron that sells for $3.95; the Seven Seas at Centre and Quince streets features a whale cigarette lighter at $1.95; and the Four Winds, located in an old blacksmith shop on Straight Wharf, has managed to work the whale into thirty-five items. On one of the buildings at the foot of Main Street is painted a large compass with lines leading out from its center that show the distances from Main Street, Nantucket, to such places as Buenos Aires and Pitcairn Island—the Four Winds has reproduced this on a tile coaster for $1.25.

Although slightly jaded by whales, we decided to visit the Whaling Museum at the head of Steamboat Wharf and were glad we did. Its collection of whaling gear, scrimshaw, ship models and old logbooks is outstanding and when we finally emerged we were surprised at the amount of time we had spent there.

Stretching our legs, we strode up cobbled Main Street past captains' mansions far more impressive than those of Edgartown, to the old Quaker Meeting House and the Historical Museum that adjoins it. I'm not quite sure whether or not we saw all of the ten thousand various objects that the museum contains, but when we tottered out at last I felt as though I had, and could speak with authority on subjects ranging from telescopes to china to hand-embroidered mourning pictures, which are somewhat like samplers, usually showing a woman weeping under a willow tree.

Ruminating on the subject of dinner, I thought that for one night at least we



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Drifting away from The Opera House, we heard the sound of distant singing. As we came to Main Street we saw that it came from what appeared to be all the youth of Nantucket, gathered under the elm trees at the upper end of the street. Glad for a legitimate reason to sit down, we listened to this impromptu concert until the nine-o'clock curfew rang from the South Church tower; the singing stopped, and everyone, as though actuated by a common mechanism, moved away to gather in a close-packed crowd at the opposite end of the street. For a time we observed this mass rendezvous, which appears to be a local tribal custom. But a chilly wind was blowing in from the harbor and this, combined with the warm lights of a bar across the street, The Upper Deck, suggested the desirability of a nightcap.

After paying for our drinks, I pulled out my ledger and presently produced the information that our expenditures for four days totaled a mere $98.60. This, I pointed out, left us with a surplus of exactly $1.40 and face to face with the ugly reality of having to spend it, with nothing to spend it on at this late hour except drink. More than one after-dinner drink is against all my principles, but on the other hand I like the aesthetic satisfaction derived from things coming out neatly and as planned. In the end, my sense of order prevailed.

Gazing down into my glass, I reflected on the intense rivalry that exists between the two islands and the absolute conviction held by the inhabitants of each that his is the only one that counts. Of course, as a loyal Vineyarder I knew instinctively who was right. But I wanted to be fair and I had to admit that the town of Nantucket has considerable charm. I asked my wife her opinion.

"It depends what you're looking for," she said. "The town or the country. Nantucket has the town. The Vineyard certainly has the country."

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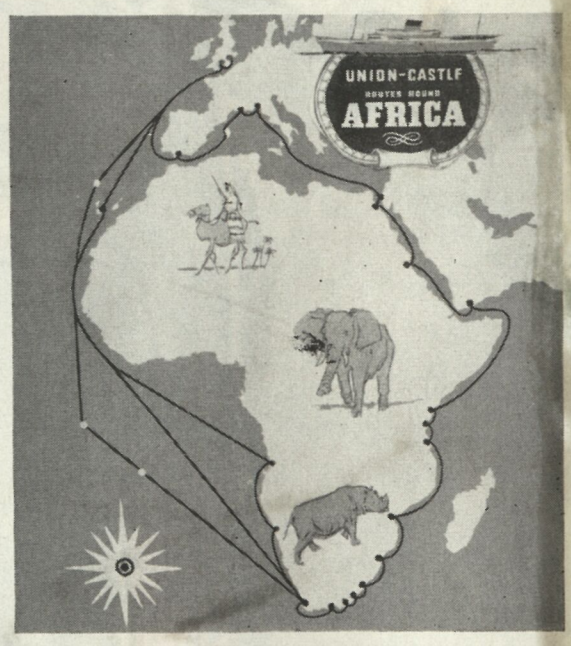
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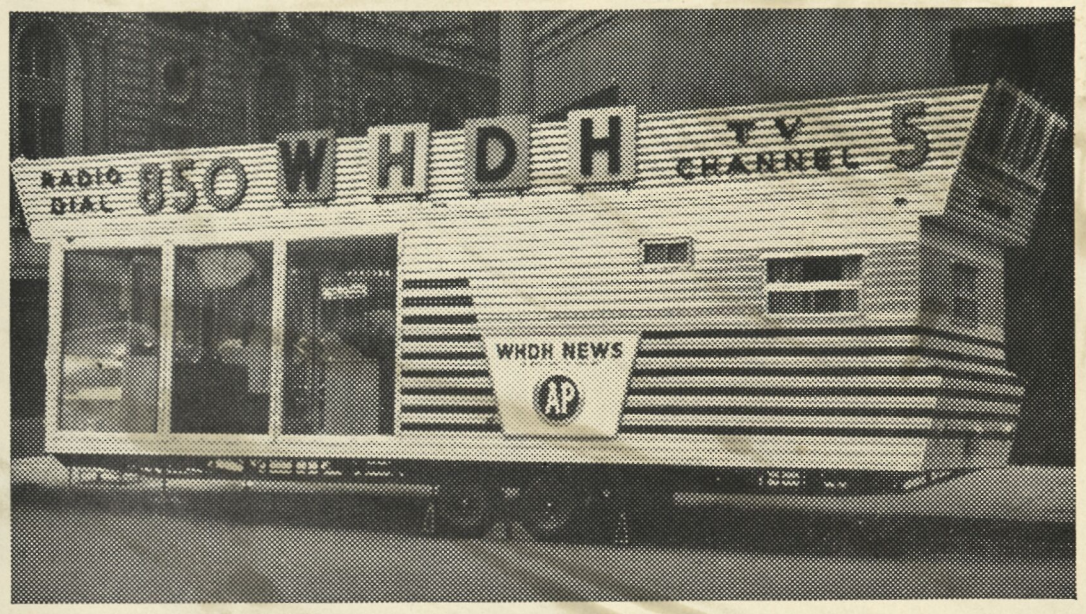


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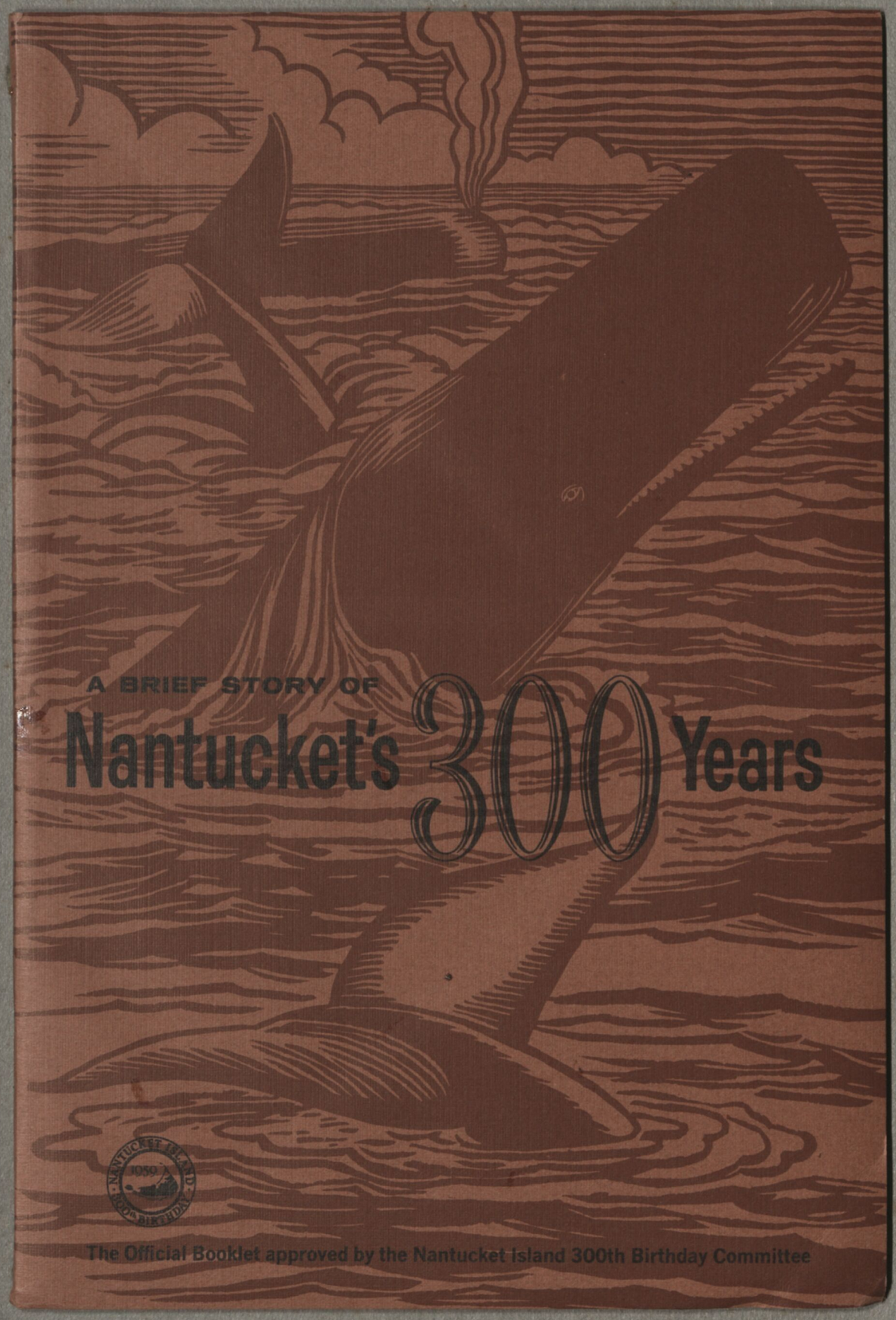
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FOREWORD

NANTUCKET, THE "Far Away Island" of the Indian, is marking its 300th birthday this year.

In so slight a booklet, only a few highlights of the island's exciting history can be touched upon. But if you would feel the charm that brings visitors to Nantucket, leave Main Street behind.

Stroll its quiet streets. Wander its winding lanes with their intriguing names. Consider, at your leisure, our classic island architecture, changed but little in 200 years. Then strike off over the moors to the south shore.

With the surf booming, or murmuring below, sample the air that comes fresh to you over thousands of miles of sea. Brave ships and men have died here by the score. Then let the shade of the century-old elms on Main Street rest upon your shoulders.

Nantucket comes alive in the summer months. The rest of the year it dreams, relives its rich traditions, and feels wonderfully content.







Historic Nantucket

NANTUCKET AND its tributary islands lie 30 miles due south of Cape Cod.

The Indians who lived on it called it "The Far Away Island." This watery insulation from the noise and the push of cities is one of its greatest charms.

Perhaps the first white man to set eyes on it was one Captain Bartholemew Gosnold, sailing out of Falmouth, England. Where today's summer visitors see colored sails and hear the chuckling of outboards, the Captain observed Indians in canoes.

Some 39 years were to pass before Lord Sterling's agent sold the islands to one Thomas Mayhew, merchant, and his son. Apparently, Mayhew did not fall under the spell which Nantucket has cast over later generations.

He sold the island to a group of men, and their partners, whose names were to brighten Nantucket's history for three centuries. The price: "Thirty pounds and two beaver hats; one for me, one for my wife."



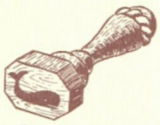
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Lengthy litigation got the redmen what they usually received, but things never got out of hand and led to war. This speaks well for both sides.



2 WHERE ELSE but on Nantucket would anybody be accused of "putting on corn-starch airs" when acting stiff or uppity?

MANY OF those early names, most of them belonging to owners of original shares in Nantucket, survive today.

You will find Coffins, Folgers, Swains, Starbucks, Gardners, Husseys and Macys. There were also Barnards, Colemans, Worths, Bunkers and Wyers.

The first known settler was sturdy Tom Macy and his family of six. With two companions to spell him, he rowed all the way from Cape Cod.

Macy's friends claim that he was on the lam from the Puritans, who were making life miserable for the colonists at that time.

Whatever the truth, it must have been a rugged voyage in 1659.





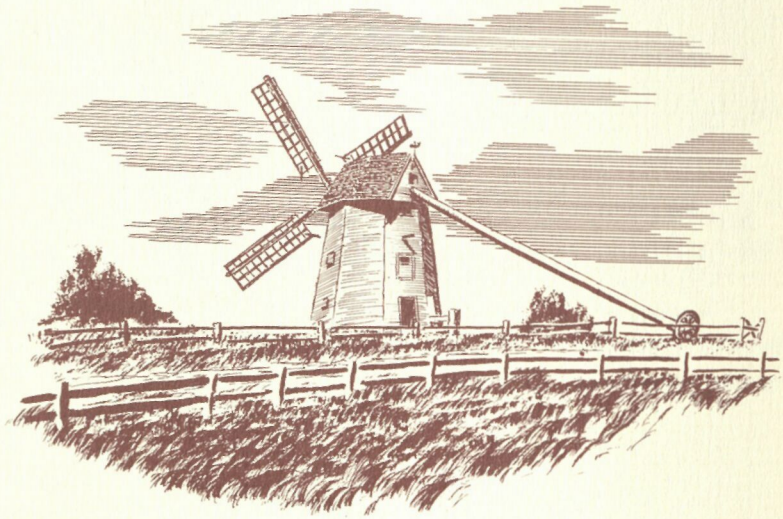
A BRIDEGROOM, come to his wedding, was accosted: "You here for Anna Ray's wedding? She's a Coffin. He's nothing but an off-islander."

THE EARLY Nantucketers were a hardy and a fearless lot. In that long-ago day, the island was little but a sandy impediment to ships, with some thin woodland.

But there were fresh-water ponds, some grass, fish in the waters surrounding the island, and a certain amount of game. Best of all, the Indians were friendly and helpful.

Wells could be dug. Sheep could thrive on the rolling moors. Homes were built. Peter Folger, grandfather of Benjamin Franklin, was the island's first miller. Abiah Folger, Franklin's mother, was born in the summer of 1667.

Today's stroller may pause and read her epitaph, placed above a stone trough which no longer holds water. About this time, the island's "Oldest House" was built for Jethro Coffin. It was raised on Sunset Hill in 1686 and to it Jethro led his bride, Mary Gardner.



"TO FOLLOW YOU I'm not intent until I know which way you went" is a favorite old epitaph. Nantucketers are "show me" folks, they want proof.

BY A happy circumstance, this handsome old 17th century home is still standing.

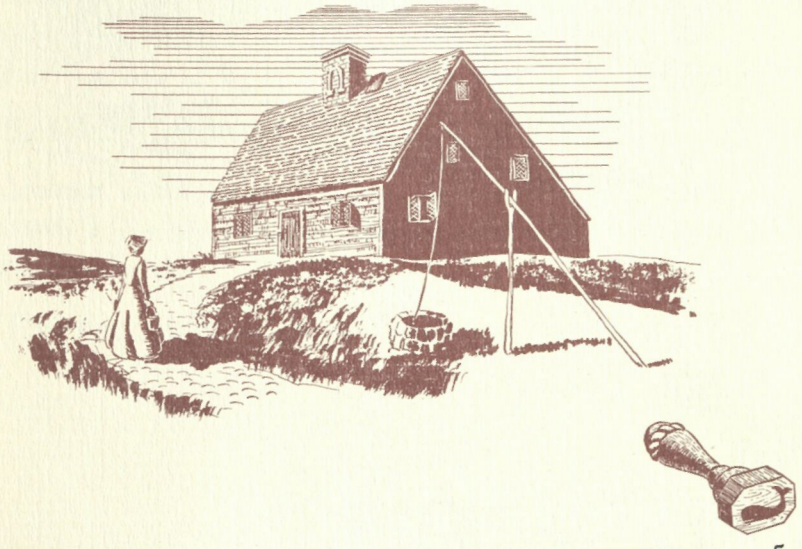
You may see the faded, silvery shingles and the original floor boards on your next visit, for the Nantucket Historical Association has restored it with loving care.

As you might expect where men of strong and forceful character met, factions developed.

Tristram Coffin was a man to the manor born. He believed that aristocrats should rule as feudal landowners have always done, according to the English tradition.

He was a frank conservative, and he ran headlong into Captain John Gardner and the freeholders, who were "half share men."

This clash brought instant and broad cleavage throughout the community, the details of which may be found in the many histories of Nantucket. Authorities in Massachusetts and New York were consulted. Charters were given and abrogated.



"WAKE UP IN A WART." Houses in 'Sconset have warts, meaning bedrooms: little slope-roof buildings added to 'Sconset houses.

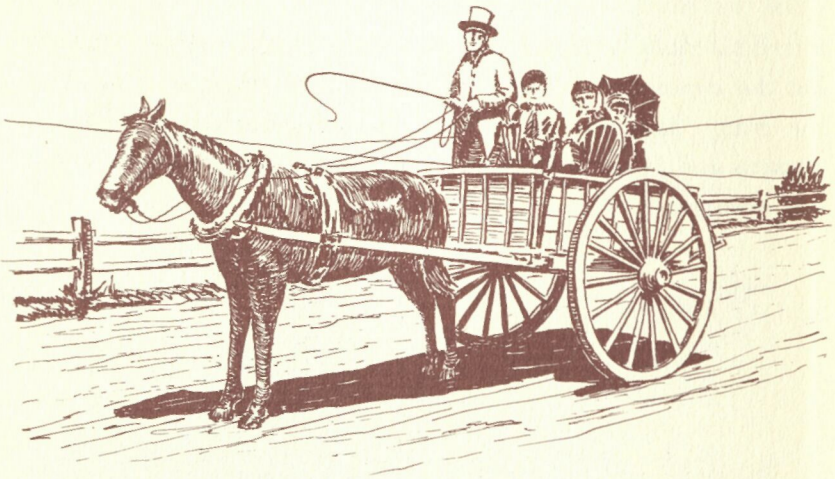
IN THE end, when Coffin was an old man, Gardner befriended him and the "Island Insurrection" (as it was called) became a thing of history.

Gardners and Coffins intermarried, the first couple living peacefully in the "Oldest House."

The next hundred years might be called "The Golden Century." For whaling and for Quakerism. The Religious Society of Friends had indeed converted almost every Nantucketer to its gentle, if somewhat steely, faith.

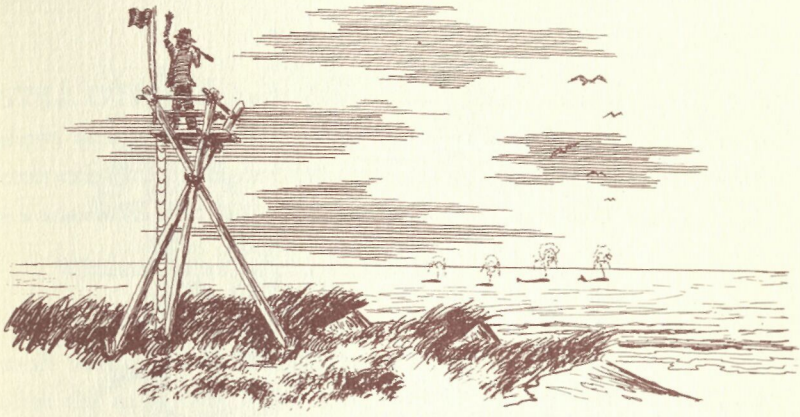
There are some 5000 of them buried in the old Quaker Burying Ground.

But since the Quakers believed that markers were unnecessary, none were ever erected.





6 AN OLD Quaker shipmaster, beset by Malay pirates, cut the rope which one pirate was climbing with "Thee can have the rope, friend, but thee can't come aboard."



THE TAKING of whales came gradually to this picturesque island preoccupied with sheep, religion and the marketing of their wool.

The Indians took whales, true enough.

The great mammals would flounder in the shallows and canoes would put out. Arrow followed arrow, until the whale would collapse from lack of blood.

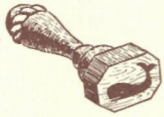
Then the bone-tipped spear would apply the coup de grace and leviathan would be dragged ashore.

True, the simple savages knew naught of oil. They liked the blubber, considered it a delicacy when boiled down and mixed with grains.

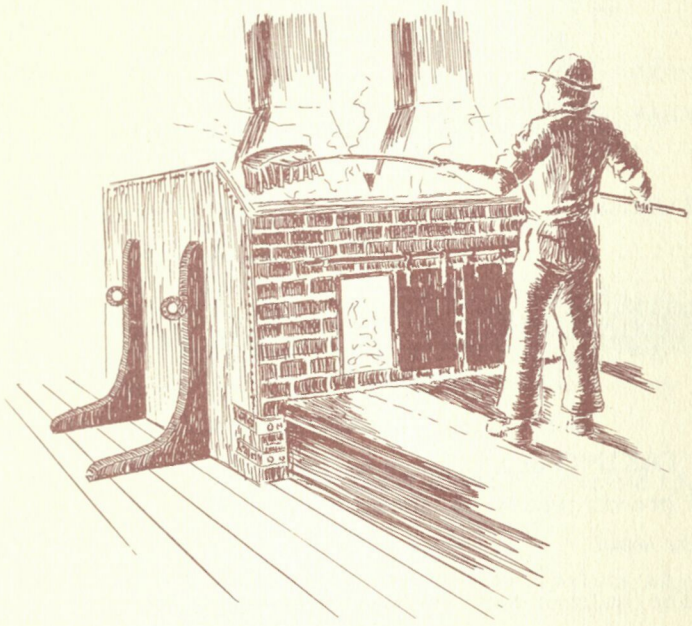
By 1671 the islanders had "caught on."

Lookout masts shot up along the south and the east shore, with a watcher aloft who raised a cry whenever head or flukes appeared.

Then out pushed the boats, harpooners in the bow.



"GREASY LUCK" used to wish a whaleman a good trip with plenty of oil. Used now to wish a friend well in any proposed venture.

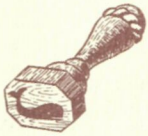


IT WAS said that 86 of these whales, known as "right" whales, were captured in a single year.

Then, one day, a sperm whale washed up. Its oil was far more valuable. This changed everything.

Shipbuilding experienced a boom. No more playing around in the shallows. Thirty-ton vessels were built and Nantucketers headed out for voyages of several months.

Many carried their own "try-works" on deck with which to boil the oil from the blubber packed in stowed hogsheads.



"THE NANTUCKETER, he alone resides and riots on the sea: he alone, in Bible language, goes down to it in ships; to and fro plowing it as his own special plantation." From Melville's *Moby Dick*.

STILL OTHERS built their "try-works" along the harbor shore, sending up their reeking smells near where pleasure craft crisscross the sheltered waters today. Life on the whalers was hard and danger rode with each small boat.

Whalers' lives were dirt cheap.

Thus was launched the great industry which made this small island the whaling center of the world. And, as is often the case, the major industry at once begat many lesser ones.

Warehouses sprang up for storing the oil. Carpenters, coopers, makers of sails and ropework set up shop. More wharves pushed out. Shipsmith shops fashioned harpoons and all varieties of metalwork needed for ships and whaling.

Houses went up on the gentle hills and off-islanders swarmed over to get in on the bonanza.





"THROWING A TUB TO A WHALE" means to keep anyone satisfied or diverted. A famous phrase employed by baby-sitters.

A NEW town hall was built near No-Bottom pond, and there were two meeting houses—one for the Quakers and one for the Presbyterians.

The sheep on the common were generally forgotten, save at "Shearing Time" by the ponds, traditional excuse for a general hullabaloo.

And over all hung the rich, repulsive odor of boiling blubber. Life was good on the little island far at sea and money jingled in every pocket. Even some of the Indians prospered, becoming expert whalemen.

New markets had to be developed, however, and this called for larger whaling ships. Vessels of up to 100 tons slid down the ways, and sperm oil was sold as far away as London Town.

This resulted in a pleasant two-way trade, the ships returning with needed supplies. Other enterprises, less dramatic and rewarding, proceeded apace.





10 YEARS AGO, at sheep-shearing time on the island, it was also "Perambulation Time." Leading citizens in beaver hats strolled around.

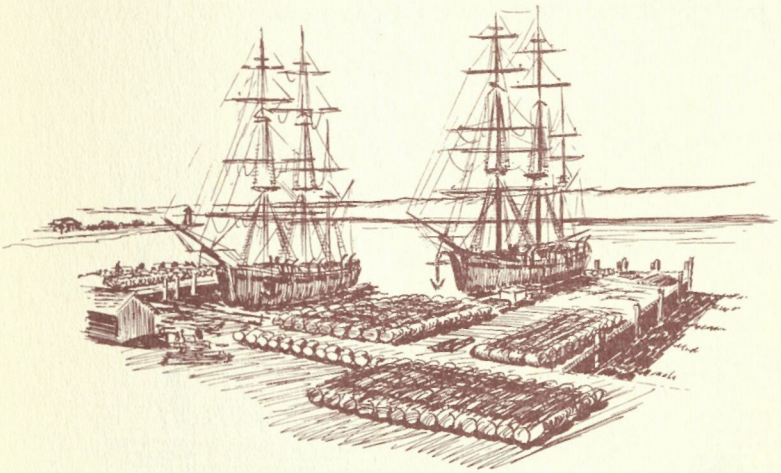
FARMERS TILLED the land and millers ground the grain.

If they ever paused to consider that they would never become as rich as whaling captains and ship owners, at least they were safe from the sea.

By this time, Nantucket whalemen boasted a fleet of 150 ships manned by some 2000 sailors. Their annual "take" was somewhere in the neighborhood of 30,000 barrels of sperm and 4000 barrels of whale oil.

This production surpassed the combined efforts of all other American whaling ports together. But as they were killed in such quantities, the sperm whales became scarce.

Whalers were obliged to seek them out in hitherto untouched areas. The waters off Africa, the Azores, the Guinea Coast and the Newfoundland Banks became their hunting grounds. And when their casks were full and dripping, they drove for home under all sail.





"HE MADE A FOOPAW." Perhaps a corruption of *Faux pas,* meaning the man had made a mess of it, as when a harpooner missed his whale.

ONE OF these busy years, a prosperous merchant-shipbuilder named William Rotch sent three of his laden whaleships to London.

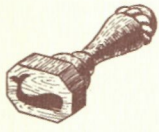
They returned with tea, and they returned to a tempest in Boston Harbor. Their names: the "Dartmouth," the "Beaver," the "Eleanor." You may see their names today, over the entrance of the old PACIFIC CLUB, which was William Rotch's counting house so many years ago.

In any event, what happened to that tea in Boston Harbor is history. Revolution flamed and the Nantucketers, in their exposed island home, caught it four ways from Sunday.

The Revolution lasted eight years. Starvation ruled the island. Almost 2000 Nantucketers were slain, captured, or lost in the ocean waters, or went to other ports. This represented about one-third of Nantucket's population.

With the terrible loss of life went the ships. Records tell us that 134 whaleships were gobbled up by the omnipresent British fleets or by privateers.





12 "INDIANS FOR TEA." Three Nantucket ships took whale oil to London, sailed to Boston with tea. Just in time for the "Boston Tea Party."

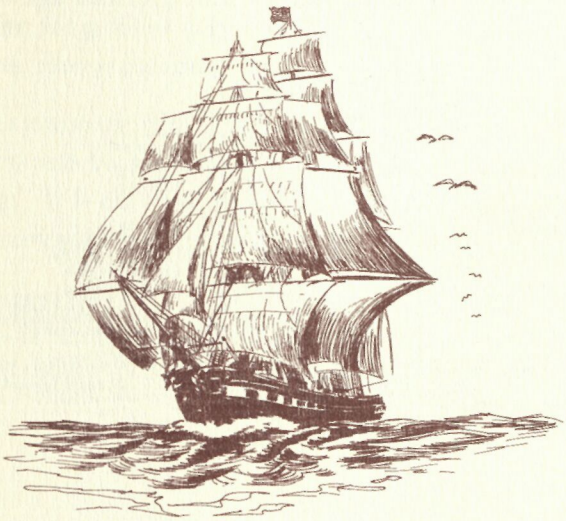
ON THE island, everybody became reduced to the same impoverished circumstances.

Flour sold, when the money could be scraped together, for $30 per barrel.

The British might well have occupied defenseless Nantucket, save for the fact that they felt it to be Tory in heart and spirit. And the Quakers, according to their religious tenets, stood by with folded hands.

But countless Nantucketers would, and did acquit themselves nobly in the war for freedom. Some of them served proudly under the redoubtable John Paul Jones in his naval frigate "Bon Homme Richard," and in other Continental ships of war. Many were disowned for "going to sea in armed vessels."

Said Jones: "The best crew I have ever seen and, I believe, the best afloat." This was scant solace, perhaps, for the loss of 85% of Nantucket's tonnage.





DIPLOMATIC QUAKER. A gentle rebuke to a big talker was once made by a Quaker: "Friend, if thee'd been one-half as economical of this world's goods as thee is of the truth, thee'd be the richest man in Nantucket."

THE FACT that the young country had not lost its spirit was soon proved.

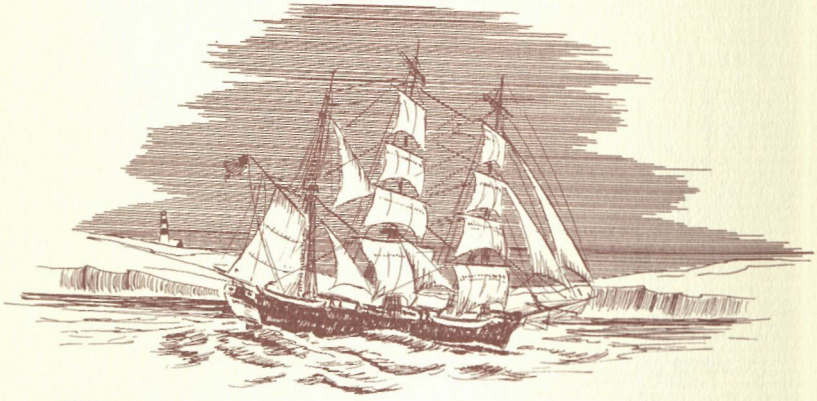
Months before the final ratification of the peace had taken place, the American whaleship BEDFORD was to astonish the English by sailing up the Thames.

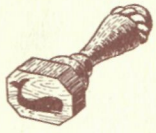
A London newspaper reported the incident thusly: "She was loaded with 487 butts of whale oil, manned wholly by American seamen, wears the rebel colors and belongs to the island of Nantucket in Massachusetts.

"This is the first vessel which has displayed the thirteen rebellious stripes of America in any British port."

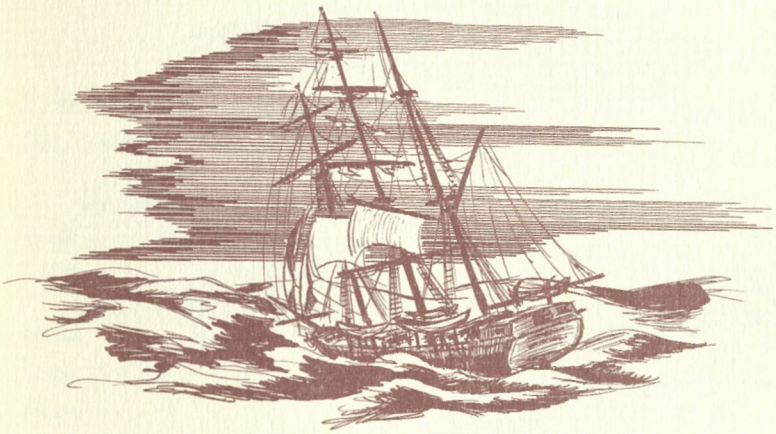
The war years had proved so hard that a considerable number of sailors and merchants had said goodbye to the island forever. Some went to the mainland. Others went as far as Nova Scotia and Europe.

Little they thought that on their departing heels Nantucket would start its greatest and most glorious age of whaling.





"REBEL SHIP ON OUR THAMES!" Headlined in a British paper when the Nantucket whaleship "Bedford" appeared, first to fly the rebel flag.



IN THE year 1791, the first Nantucket whaleship rounded the Horn and entered the broad Pacific in search of sperm whales.

She was the redoubtable little "BEAVER," carrying a crew of only 17 and five whaleboats.

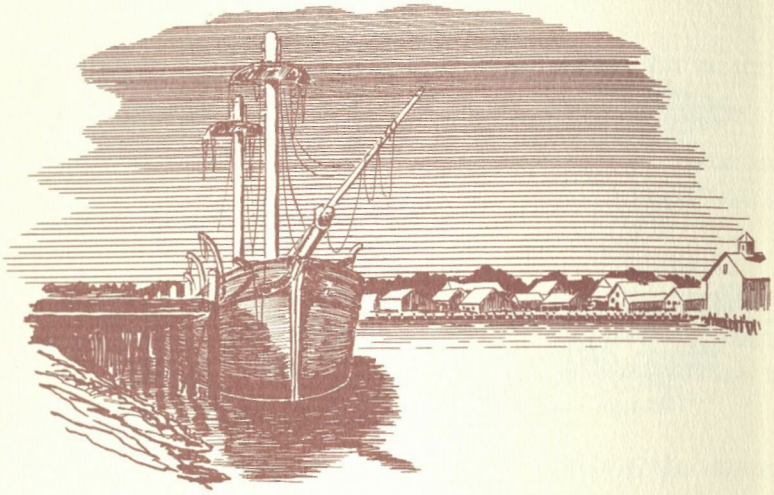
She was out of her home port for over a year and one half. Her long hard trip did not prove futile, for in her hold were eleven hundred barrels of sperm oil.

The opening up of the Pacific acted as a spur on Nantucketers, and began what is still called the "Golden Age of Whaling." It is claimed that the first ship ever to be launched on Nantucket slid off the ways into the Brant Point waters in 1810.

By 1812, a reporter has set down, the island fleet consisted of "one hundred and sixteen vessels of all sorts."



"ON THE WAYS?" Old-time Nantucketers will tell you it means "out of sorts," or "laid up for repairs."



THIS THRIVING picture was shattered by the war of 1812.

It seems that neither France, nor England, nor Spain wished the infant nation to become too powerful.

They felt she should be contained in the east, and the smaller the part of the eastern seaboard the better. So once again the islanders went from tidy prosperous times to a bitter struggle for their very lives.

This time, however, the privation was not so long drawn out. Peace came three years later, leaving impoverishment in its wake. The whale ships, on which their prosperity was founded, had proved easy pickings for privateers and men o' war of all enemies.

With the end of the war and most of the great fortunes gone up in smoke, and with only twenty-three of her once-great whaling fleet left, prospects looked grim indeed.



16 "BLACK CAT UNDER THE BUCKET."
Old timers said you'd never get out of the harbor if this happened. Not quite true.

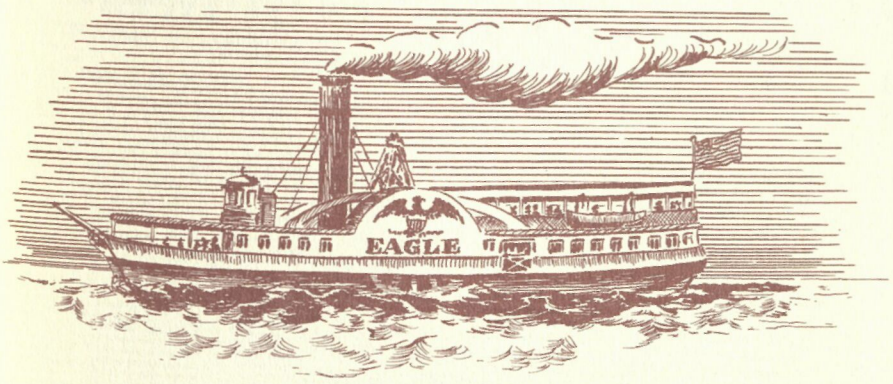
THE SPIRIT which had supported these brave people rallied fast, however.

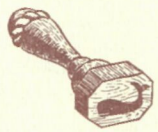
By 1820, the fleet had mounted to seventy-two whaleships, not to mention brigs, schooners and sloops.

About this time, the population of Nantucket was about 7000. While everybody talked of whaling and the huge profits it was to bring the island, another event took place.

Though it was the forerunner of Nantucket's future prosperity, little to-do was made about it. The event was the arrival of the first steamboat to ply between the mainland and Nantucket.

The steamer "EAGLE," of 80 tons, brought 60 passengers to the island.





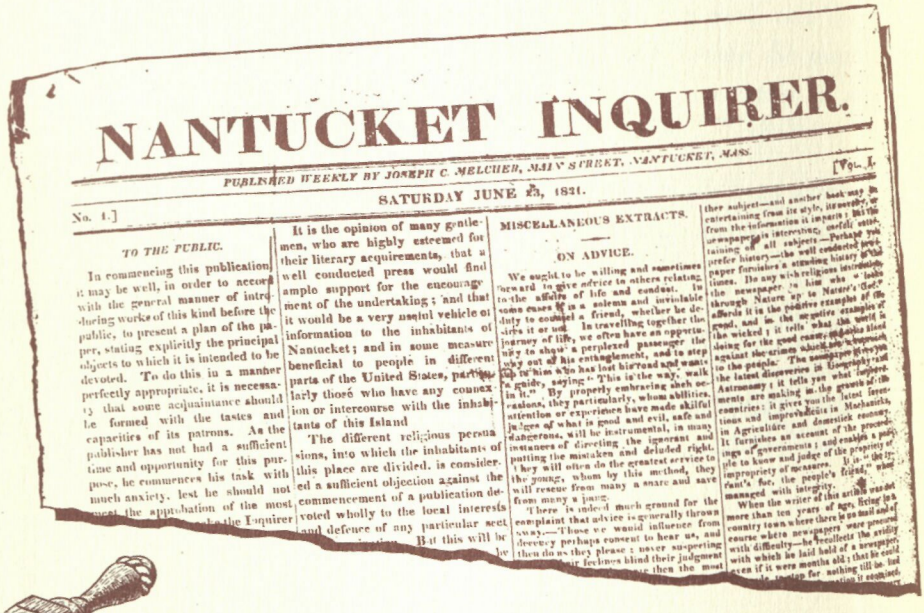
"EVERYTHINGS DRAWING" means a man, or ship, is using every possible factor to help his work or to catch the best breezes and "draw."

IT WAS the first regular schedule of steam in New England and, though it ran but one season, it was an event that was to cast a long shadow.

The first newspaper was published on the island and though it too lasted but a year, it showed that times were good and progress was marching ahead. Since then, ten other newspapers had struggling, short lives from time to time. THE INQUIRER, founded in 1821, merged in 1865 with THE MIRROR, and has published constantly on Nantucket since then as THE INQUIRER AND MIRROR, remaining America's last "blanket-sized" newspaper.

The great Daniel Webster even visited Nantucket in 1820 and tried a case in court. Truly, these were stirring times.

But back to whaling. Whaling was the news, and well it might be.



NANTUCKET INQUIRER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY BY JOSEPH C. MELCHER, MAIN STREET, NANTUCKET, MASS. [Vol. I.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

In commencing this publication it may be well, in order to accord with the general manner of introducing works of this kind before the public, to present a plan of the paper, stating explicitly the principal objects to which it is intended to be devoted. To do this in a manner perfectly appropriate, it is necessary that some acquaintance should be formed with the tastes and capacities of its patrons. As the publisher has not had a sufficient time and opportunity for this purpose, he commences his task with much anxiety, lest he should not meet the approbation of the most [illegible] the Inquirer

It is the opinion of many gentlemen, who are highly esteemed for their literary acquirements, that a well conducted press would find ample support for the encouragement of the undertaking; and that it would be a very useful vehicle of information to the inhabitants of Nantucket; and in some measure beneficial to people in different parts of the United States, particularly those who have any connexion or intercourse with the inhabitants of this Island

The different religious persuasions, into which the inhabitants of this place are divided, is considered a sufficient objection against the commencement of a publication devoted wholly to the local interests and defence of any particular sect [illegible] But this will be [illegible]

MISCELLANEOUS EXTRACTS.

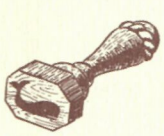
ON ADVICE.

We ought to be willing and sometimes forward to give advice to others relating to the affairs of life and conduct. In some cases it is a solemn and inviolable duty to counsel a friend, whether he desires it or not. In travelling together the journey of life, we often have an opportunity to show a perplexed passenger the way out of his entanglement, and to step [illegible] to him who has lost his road and wants a guide, saying "This is the way, walk ye in it." By properly embracing such occasions, they particularly, whom abilities, attention or experience have made skilful judges of what is good and evil, safe and dangerous, will be instrumental, in many instances of directing the ignorant and putting the mistaken and deluded right. They will often do the greatest service to the young, whom by this method, they will rescue from many a snare and save from many a pang.

There is indeed much ground for the complaint that advice is generally thrown away.—Those we would influence from decency perhaps consent to hear us, and then do as they please: never suspecting [illegible] their feelings blind their judgment [illegible] then the most

ther subject—and another book may be entertaining from its style, its novelty, or from the information it imparts; but the newspaper is interesting, useful, and entertaining on all subjects.—Perhaps you prefer history—the well conducted newspaper furnishes a standing history of the times. He may wish religious instruction; the newspaper to him who "looks through Nature up to Nature's God" affords it in the positive examples of the good, and in the negative examples of the wicked; it tells what the world is doing for the good cause, and who stand against the cause which may be dearest to the people. The newspaper gives you the latest discoveries in Geography and Astronomy; it tells you what improvements are making in the growth of nations and improvements in Mechanics, in Agriculture and domestic economy. It furnishes an account of the proceedings of governments; and enables a people to know and judge of the propriety or impropriety of measures. It is "the tenant's foe, the people's friend," when managed with integrity.

When the writer of this article was not more than ten years of age, living in a country town where there is no mail and of course where newspapers were procured with difficulty—he recollects the avidity with which he laid hold of a newspaper, even if it were months old; that he could [illegible] for nothing till he had [illegible]



HOW FAR? The nearest land east of Great Point Light is the Azores, 2100 miles away. No wonder our air is pure!



NEW ISLANDS, reefs and shoals by the score were discovered and mapped.

The Pacific now became the principal cruising grounds. Ships penetrated the Indian Ocean. Names familiar to us all from the last war became well known to the families of whalemen. "New Guinea." "The Japan Coast." "New Holland." "Australia."

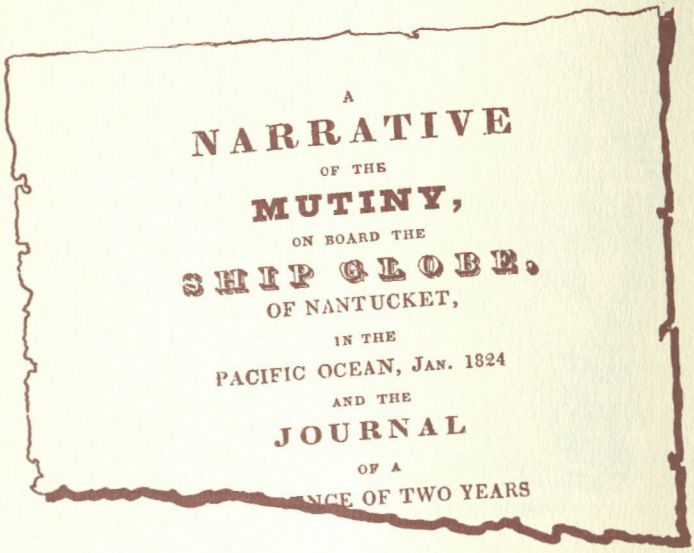
Occasionally, whaleships which had set out at the same time but which had reached their destination by different routes, would meet at sea.

This was always the occasion for what Nantucketers called a "gam."

A "gam" was a great talkfest . . . a reading and exchange of letters from home . . . the swapping of ships' dog-eared libraries.

"Gaming" chairs were lowered from ships, carrying Captains' wives to social visits. Thus were the hard lives of the whalemen lightened, if ever so rarely, for voyages from two to four years.

"IT'S A GAM, sir, it's a gam!" When two whalers met at sea, they hove to, swapped crews, libraries, had a big talkfest.



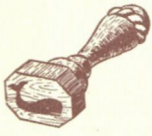
THERE WERE terrible prices paid, too, by some of the whalemen.

In 1822, some malcontents of the whaleship "GLOBE" mutinied. They killed Captain Worth and three of his officers.

The whaleship "ESSEX" was charged twice by an enraged whale, and sunk.

There were recorded cases of seamen, who survived this wreck, enduring terrible months at sea and being forced to resort to cannibalism. But, by and large, the goose hung high at Nantucket.

Off its bar the great whaleships rested. Around, and running to and from the shore, were hosts of subservient small craft. They repaired, outfitted and supplied those outgoing. Those home with fat butts of sperm oil bulging their sides were being unloaded of their squelching cargo.



"RANTUM SCOOT." This expression is pure Nantucket. It means a day's ramble, a cruise. Perhaps derived from "at random."

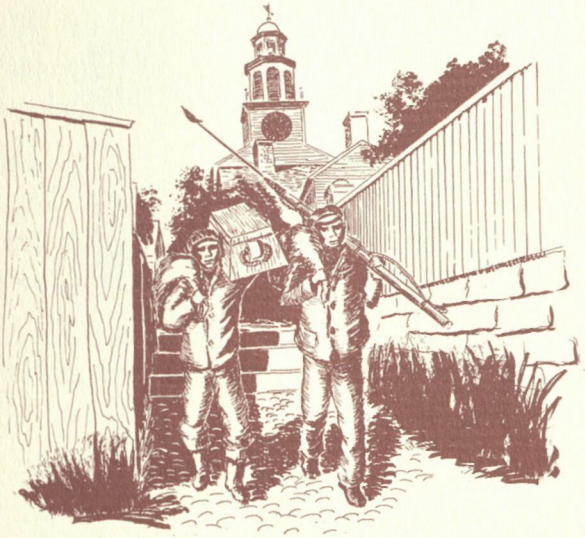
BOATS BORE important captains home to their mansions.

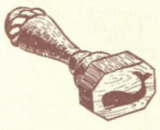
All along the waterfront, business boomed in the forges, the rope-walks, the warehouses, the cooperages and in the attendant industries of Whaling.

Through the streets shouldered strange sailors. Among them were darkskinned Portuguese and islanders from the South Seas, recruited when crews were depleted.

The Nantucketers called them all "Kanakas," regardless of origin.

Captains and owners became rich, some of them millionaires, during this boom period for whaling. For instance, the ship "LOPER" took 2280 barrels of sperm oil worth fifty thousand dollars.





"OH, SHE'S RIGHT IN THE SUDS!" This is Nantucketese for being in the thick of things, especially employed in a social way.

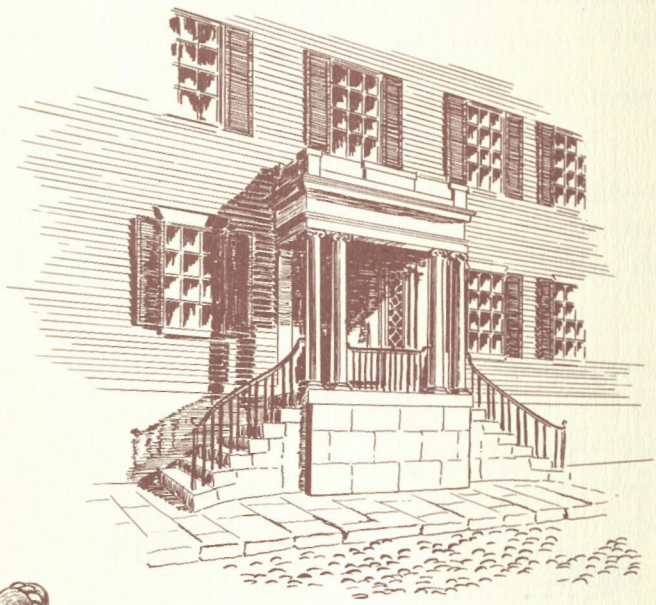
THE "SARAH," under Captain Fred Arthur, stayed out for thirty-five months—and ran home with 3497 barrels.

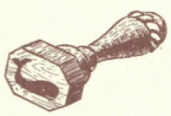
This haul was worth ninety-eight thousand dollars! It was believed to have been the richest single voyage.

And among this flood of electrifying good news, perils to ships and men remained. One ship, the "OENO," was lost and her crew and captain were eaten by the cannibals of the Fiji Islands. Only one man escaped.

Costly and beautiful homes were built on Nantucket's quiet streets by captains, owners and merchants, and high ideals and culture were at their golden high. Nantucket was now the leading whaling port in the country.

In the island's Atheneum, lectures were given by home-grown or imported dignitaries to a packed house.





"SHE DESERVES AN EAST INDIAN CAP'N" used to be said of a fine young woman. It was supposed that she deserved such, who were apt to be well off.



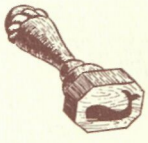
IN AND out of the Pacific Bank, at the head of Main Street, flowed streams of business men.

You may see this beautiful little building, yourself. Built in 1818, it is still "going strong."

Socially, the effect of a rich trade may best be pictured by this transcript from Dorothy C. A. Blanchard's beautifully-written book, "NANTUCKET LANDFALL":

"Odors of whale oil and salt ocean were pleasantly shot with the fragrances of Cadiz olives, Sicilian oranges, Smyrna figs, muscatel raisins, Oriental spices and teas, and pepper from Cayenne.

"One could purchase Scio almonds, English walnuts and filberts, olive oil from Spain or molasses from the West Indies.



OLD SIGN once shown before a local store: "Nice quartz bowls of all sizes, ninepence apiece and all prices."

"FOR THE captain's wives and daughters, there were merino shawls and leghorn bonnets.

"For the men, 'splendid pantaloon stuffs' and most splendid London Doe Skins . . . and 'a few elegant ready-made figured SILK vests for those who wish to be married in haste.' "

In the handsome homes, many built right on the narrow lanes with steps from both sides so that friends could enter easily, the famous Nantucket candles burned.

They threw their soft radiance over English furniture and china, white napery and savage implements of war made by South Sea savages and brought home as souvenirs.

On little stands and whatnots in corners stood elaborate examples of scrimshaw—trinkets, rings and boxes carved by sailors from the teeth of the sperm whale during uneventful days at sea.

Their skill is amazing.

In THE NANTUCKET WHALING MUSEUM you will see these same objects today, a large and beautiful collection of a bygone art. Along with the splendid collections of artifacts made by the South Sea islanders, including tapa cloth, war clubs, spears, feather headdresses and a magnificent model of a war canoe.



"SAT IN THE BUTTER TUB." Said of someone who married well, or who seems to have been favored by good luck. Resulting in success.

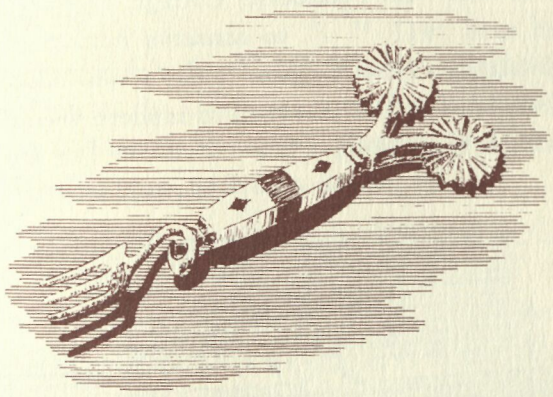
THE WHALING MUSEUM is a "must" for visitors to the island.

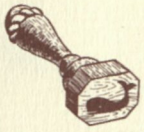
The whole glorious panorama of that Golden Age is here preserved, with a sperm oil press, captain's offices, a whaleboat that has seen service, harpoons, etc. The restoration has been done with love, knowledge and great care.

To an island 30 miles at sea, fire is an ever-present and a deadly danger.

Nantucketers were aware of this.

From time to time, they had built cisterns, bought fire engines and had kept a permanent fire force on duty. Despite all this, flames struck hard in 1846.





ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-TWO YEARS AGO, some observing chap called Nantucket "a garden of plants." He should have seen our roses in June. (You, too.)

"THE GREAT FIRE," for thus is it still called, even today, did Nantucket what seemed irreparable damage.

Buildings around the harbor became torches. Next, the great stores of whale oil stored in warehouses and sheds became a blazing lake of fire. The flames rose to heaven and nine hours had passed ere they died.

When the fearful islanders crept back, they found thirty-six acres in ashes. More than 300 buildings had gone up in smoke.

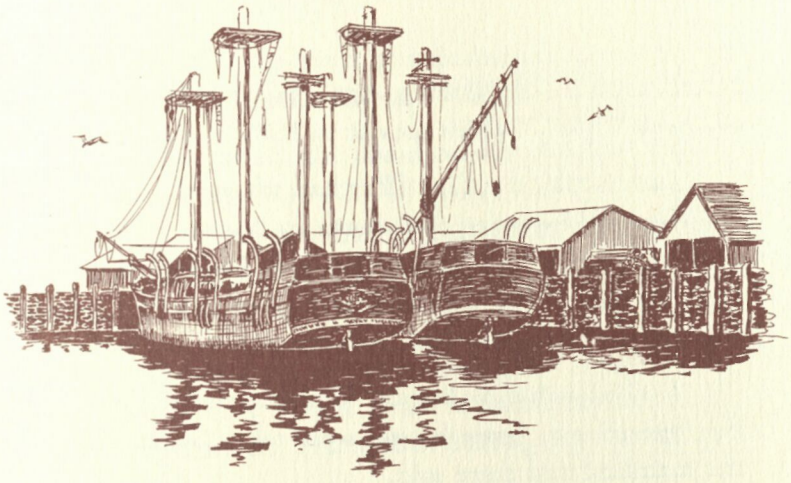
The loss was counted at one million dollars. Hundreds were homeless. Food stocks were not sufficient to last a week. The Nantucketers asked for help.

It poured in from all over the world. Food. Clothing. Bedding. Money.

Nantucket had no hospital then to care for the injured. Matter of fact, the Nantucket Cottage Hospital was not founded until 1912, ". . . to conserve human life on this isolated island." How welcome today's new Cottage Hospital, completed in 1957, with all its modern facilities, would have been back in 1846.



"STRUCK WITH THE DRY WILT" is often said to describe a person who has been rendered seedy or puny from illness or any other cause.



THE ISLAND was dealt a heavy blow.

Not only did it hit merchants and whalers. Small tradesmen by the score were rendered penniless. But new stores and homes could, in time, be built. Business could be recreated. Everybody thought that the good times would go on indefinitely.

But they didn't. Costs rose. Whales became scarcer and hunting them in the ice and fogs of the Arctic had become dangerous and almost impossible. Shocking enough, this was not the hardest blow, as it soon developed.

Petroleum was discovered. So was gold in California. Hundreds of Nantucketers rushed west. And petroleum proved a better—and far cheaper—oil than that obtained from sperm whales.

Worst of all, the Civil War loomed as inevitable.



"HE NEEDS TO EAT A PIECE OF MAD DOG!" This is an ancient and expressive term applied to a slow-going, stupid person; a slowpoke.

NANTUCKET'S "Golden Age" ended with the sailing of the bark "OAK," which set out in 1869 and never returned.

Meanwhile, the Civil War had taken its toll, and Nantucketers had exceeded their quota by 56 men. This response made Nantucket the "Banner Town of Massachusetts." Confederate raiders had captured or burned the few remaining whaleships they could find, and times became hard.

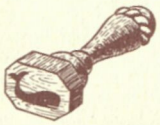
Real estate had no buyers. Various industries were started but petered out. Some houses were taken apart, shipped to the mainland and there sold.

The population had shrunk to under 4000, its lowest point. It was left with rich memories, traditions of greatness and the most distinquished homes that ever graced an island.

Codfishing, in time, became good business. Nantucketers swarmed out to the east shore in spring and fall. Fishermen, wives and children threw up rude shacks which were to become the now-famous Siasconset cottages.

In these dour times, widowed families began to "take in" strangers during the fine months. The strangers were to multiply and become summer tourists, or "off-islanders," as the Nantucketers call them to this day. Many built homes.





"TWO LAMPS BURNING AND NO SHIP AT SEA." This nautical phrase means "waste and extravagance."

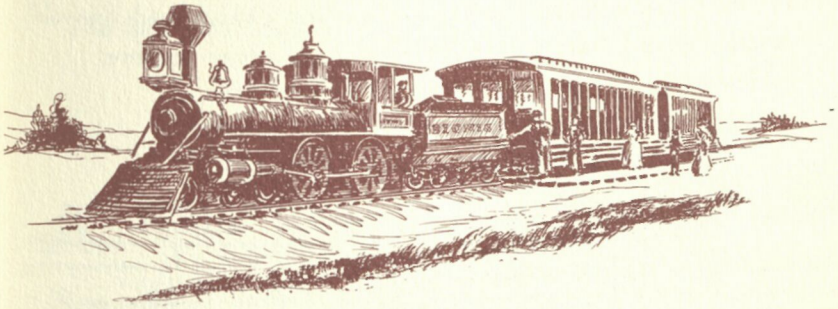
THUS STARTED the birth of a business that was to bring Nantucket's people a tentative new "Golden Age."

The visitors loved the island, whose distance from the mainland gave it an extra fillip of glamor. A few hotels were built and proved popular. A railroad, from 1881 to 1917, clanked visitors out to Surfside and Siasconset, and the island became webbed with roads.

The running rate, in those indulgent days, was two dollars a day at the hotels. This included meals, bathing privileges on a private beach. But bathing on the Sabbath was discouraged.

Lots were bought and stores of every sort set up shop on Main Street to cater to the tourists. There was intense debate over the wisdom of allowing automobiles to operate and foul up the island's pure native air. Not 'til 1918, however, were they permitted.

Many Nantucketers still wish they had never been invented.





"SIT UNDER THE WINDOW AND WATCH THE PASS" means to sit beside your window and watch the passing show. Our streets are fine watching.

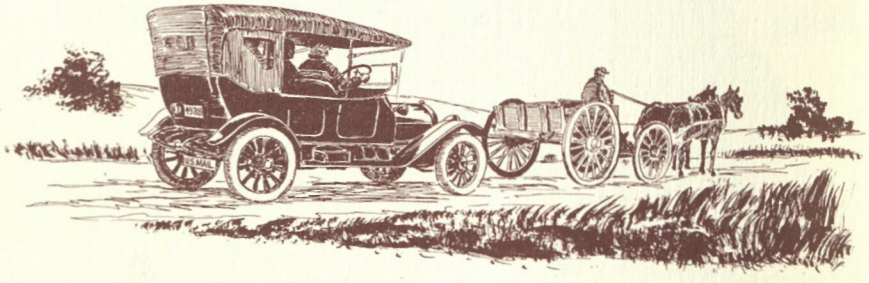
THE CARS' noise soon became the lesser evil as 1918 brought the first venturesome planes to the island.

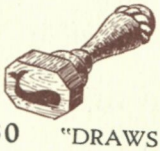
One of a squadron of naval hydroplanes crashed off Coatue—the first air disaster on the island. These tiny forerunners were but a hint of what was to come. During World War II Nantucket's south section hummed with Navy training planes.

At the end of the war, Nantucket inherited a first-rate airfield in the vicinity of Nobadeer Farm. In no time at all, the commercial airliners flew in and out on strictly-maintained schedules. Nantucket now regards her weekend commuters with a tolerant eye.

The Nantucket Historical Association had long jealously guarded the island's treasures of the past. It restored old landmarks and bought up the historic Oldest House, the Friends' Meeting House and several other splendid relics of the "Old Nantucket."

The Historical Museum Building is packed with priceless mementoes and is worth all the time you can give to it. For these, as well as Nantucket's quiet charm and fine old homes, are the past which visitors have come to love.





"DRAWS LOTS OF WATER" might mean a full ship, but more probably influential person of considerable importance.



COMPARISONS ARE not always palatable. But Nantucket is perfect, unspoiled.

Not until your steamer wears close to the wharf do you perceive rising ground, a white spire, and the gilded dome of the 1809 Unitarian Church flashing in the sunshine. These garlanded with fresh elm leaves of trees planted in 1851.

If you are fortunate on your first visit, the tower's Lisbon bell may be sounding its mellow notes. 52 strokes at 7 A.M., 52 at 12 Noon, and the curfew's 52 at 9 P.M.

The bell's dedication is touching:

> "To the Good Jesus of the Mountain the devotees of Lisbon direct their prayers, offering Him a complete set of six bells, to call the people and adore Him in His Sanctuary."

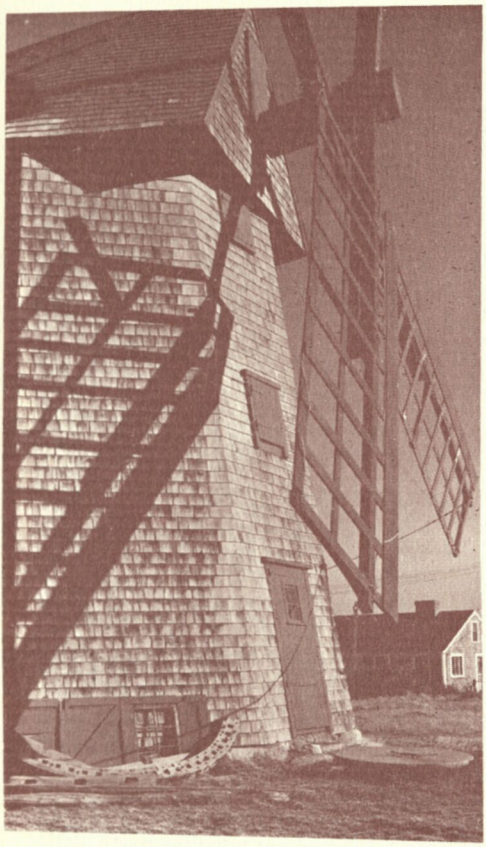
You will find flawless 18th and 19th century architecture on the following pages, along with some that is strictly Nantucket. Also, many fascinating landmarks. No picture can do Nantucket justice, however. You must see it—and come back again.

"SPLICE THE MAIN BRACE" is old English sea talk for taking a drink. It is always understood, afloat or ashore, by men who enjoy a drink.

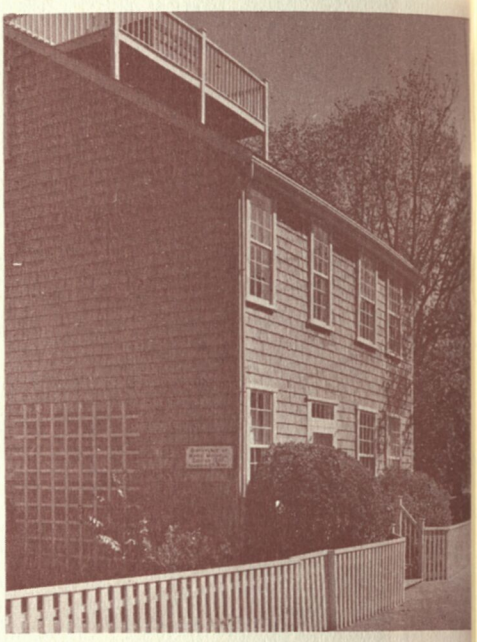




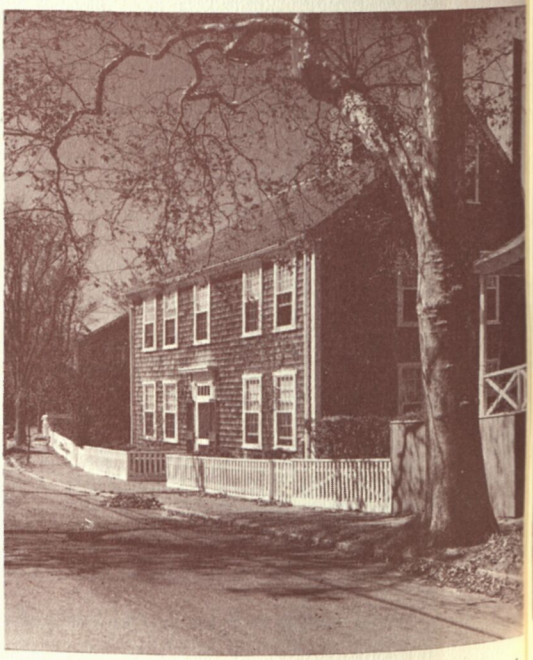
COBBLED MAIN STREET, laced by the shadows of the old elms planted by the Coffins in 1851.



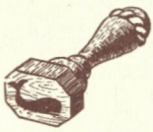
OLD WINDMILL built in 1746, was one of five; has wooden works and still grinds corn meal.

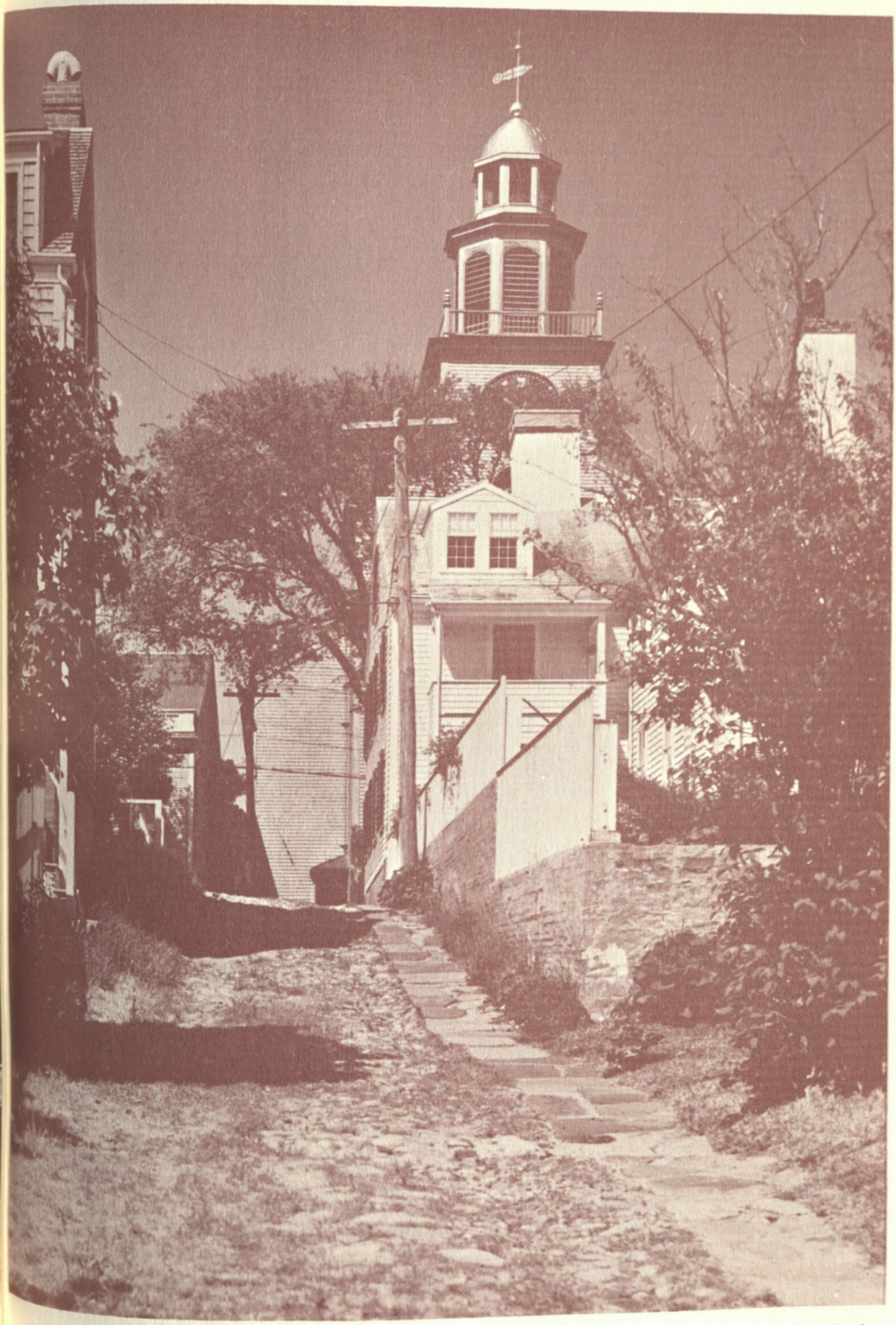


MARIA MITCHELL'S HOUSE, now a memorial where America's first woman astronomer was born in 1818. She gained world fame in 1847 for discovering the comet that now bears her name.



WEATHERED SHINGLES, with roses rambling, and a sycamore out front — certain signs of Nantucket.





"STONE ALLEY," one of many narrow, lanelike little streets which defy modern transportation.



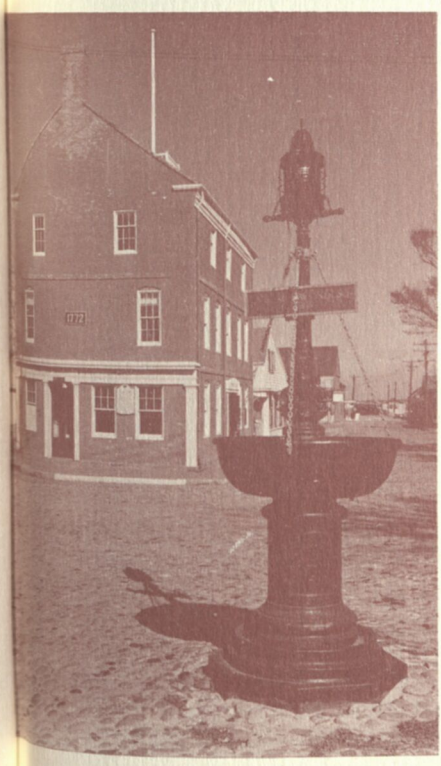
THE FOLGER MANSION, Center Street. Unlike most old homes, this is set back from the street.



MACY HOUSE, Main Street. Built in the last stages of Nantucket's affluent days, it is perfect, "Walk" and all.



THE "THREE BRICKS," identical Georgian mansions built by Joseph Starbuck for his 3 sons in 1837.



THE PACIFIC CLUB, built in 1772 as a warehouse for Wm. Rotch & Sons. Once a club for whaling captains.



THE BEAUTIFUL doorway to "Moor's End," on Pleasant Street. Built in 1827. Nantucket is rich in perfect doorways.



SANKATY HEAD LIGHT, built in 1849. Nantucket needed lighthouses, for her shores drew scores of wrecked ships.



'SCONSET HOMES cast their shadows in the village located farthest out in the Atlantic.

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1811 – 17 Ships and 7 Schooners Sail from Nantucket
1812 – British Capture 11 Nantucket Ships, Imprison Crews
1814 – Nantucketer Killed in Sea Battle with British
1815 – War Ends; Coldest Day Reaches 11 Degrees Below Zero
Unitarian Church Gets Portuguese Bell
1816 – *Gazette* First Newspaper Published on Nantucket
1817 – Snow Falls on June 17
1818 – Steamboat, *Eagle,* Makes First Run to Nantucket
1819 – Capt. Joseph Allen Discovers the "Japan Grounds"
1820 – Daniel Webster Visits Island
1821 – *The Nantucket Inquirer* Established
1822 – Crew of *Globe* Mutinies, Kills Capt. Worth and 3 Officers
1823 – Nantucket Leads Country in Whaling with 83 Vessels
1824 – Milestones Placed on 'Sconset Road
1825 – Ship *Swift* Brings in Richest Sperm Oil Cargo — 3,020 Barrels
1826 – *Nantucket Journal* Founded, Lasts One Year
1827 – Coffin School Opens; 2 Public Schools Founded
1828 – Cross Rip Lightship Established
1829 – Ship *Loper* Brings Back 2,280 bbls. of Sperm Oil
Unitarian Church Tower Built
1831 – Cold Winter, Fuel Sparse and Dear
1832 – First Steam Mill Erected
1833 – Nantucket Steamboat Company Organized
1834 – Nantucket Atheneum Incorporated
1835 – Elephant "Bolivar" Exhibited on Island
1836 – Silk Factory Started
1837 – Main Street Business Section Paved with Cobblestones
1838 – Nantucket Establishes Fire Department
Fire Destroys $200,000 in Property Along South Beach
1839 – Baptist Church Society Organized; Episcopal Trinity Church Built
1840 – *The Islander* Newspaper Founded
Telegraph System to Woods Hole in Operation
1841 – Nantucketers Attend Anti-Slavery Meetings
1842 – Whaling Sees Banner Year on Nantucket, 90 Ships at Sea
1843 – Whaling on Decline; Newspaper *Telegraph* Published a Few Months
1844 – Fire Destroys "Poor Farm" at Quaise
1845 – First Editions of *The Nantucket Weekly Mirror* Printed
1846 – Over ⅓ of Nantucket Town Wiped Out by Great Fire
1847 – Maria Mitchell Discovers Comet
1848 – Ocean House and Atlantic House Hotels Doing Good Business
1849 – Selectmen Order South Tower Bell Rung Thrice Daily
1850 – Sankaty Head Lighthouse Built
1851 – Coffins Plant Elm Trees on Main Street
1852 – Pave Main Street from Square to Starbuck Houses
1854 – Main Street Business Section Lighted by Gas for First Time
1855 – Snow Falls 50 Hours, Worst in Island History
1856 – Cable Laid from Great Point to Monomoy Point, Breaks 2 Months Later
1857 – Asa Jones Uses First Dory on Nantucket for Codfishing
1858 – Catholic Society Secures Harmony Hall for Services
1859 – Ship *Three Brothers* Takes Largest Whale Oil Cargo, 6,000 bbls.
1860 – Since 1815, Nantucket Whaling Fleet Brought Home 1,313,946 bbls. of Oil
1861 – Pacific Club Organized
1862 – Steamer *Monnohasett* Built
1864 – Charles Lawrence Begins Manufacture of "Dusters" — Linen Coats
1865 – 339 Nantucketers Served Union in Civil War
The Inquirer and *The Mirror* Consolidate
1866 – Attempt Unsuccessfully to Revive Whaling Business
1867 – Cross Rip Lighthouse Breaks Adrift, Crew Saved

1868 — R. L. Barstow Sails — Last Nantucket-Owned Whaling Vessel
1869 — Rev. Ferdinand Ewer's Historical Map of Nantucket Published
1870 — Last Whaler to Arrive at Nantucket Is Brig *Eunice H. Adams*
1871 — *River Queen* Steamer Bought by Vineyard Line
1872 — Nantucket's Popularity as Summer Resort Grows
'Sconset Post Office Established
1873 — *River Queen* Starts Service to Nantucket
1874 — *Island Review* Newspaper Started
1875 — First Boats Operate on Sunday During Summer Months
1876 — "Sherburne Bluffs" Section Opened Up by H. Coffin and Others
1877 — Nantucket Has Great Temperance Movement
1878 — *Nantucket Journal* Started by Arthur H. Gardner
1879 — Route Staked Out for Proposed Nantucket Railroad
1880 — Ground Broken for Railroad
Sherburne News Published Four Months
1881 — First "Scalloping" Begins on Nantucket
Railroad Built Out to Surfside
1882 — Fire Hydrant Service First Put to Use
1883 — Muskeget Life-Saving Station Established
1884 — Railroad Extended to Siasconset
1885 — Government Cable Laid by the *Storm King*
1886 — Steamboat Companies Consolidate
1887 — Schooner *Era* Sinks Off Point Judith, Crew Saved
1888 — *The 'Sconset Pump* and "Town Crier" Published During Summer
1889 — Maria Mitchell, Noted Astronomer, Dies
1890 — *The Inquirer and Mirror* Moves Offices
1891 — Fifty Pairs of Rabbits Released on Island
1892 — Coskata Life-Savers Honored for Heroic Rescue
1893 — January Freezeup Locks Boats Out from Jan. 11 to Feb. 1
1894 — Start Building State Road to Siasconset
Nantucket Historical Association Incorporated
1895 — Shorter Railroad Route Built to 'Sconset
1896 — South Shoals Lightship Moored Off-Shore
1897 — Ex-President Cleveland Visits Island
Nantucket Golf Links Laid Out
1898 — Several Ships Wrecked; Asia's Hull Drifts Ashore
1899 — First Toll Telephone Installed

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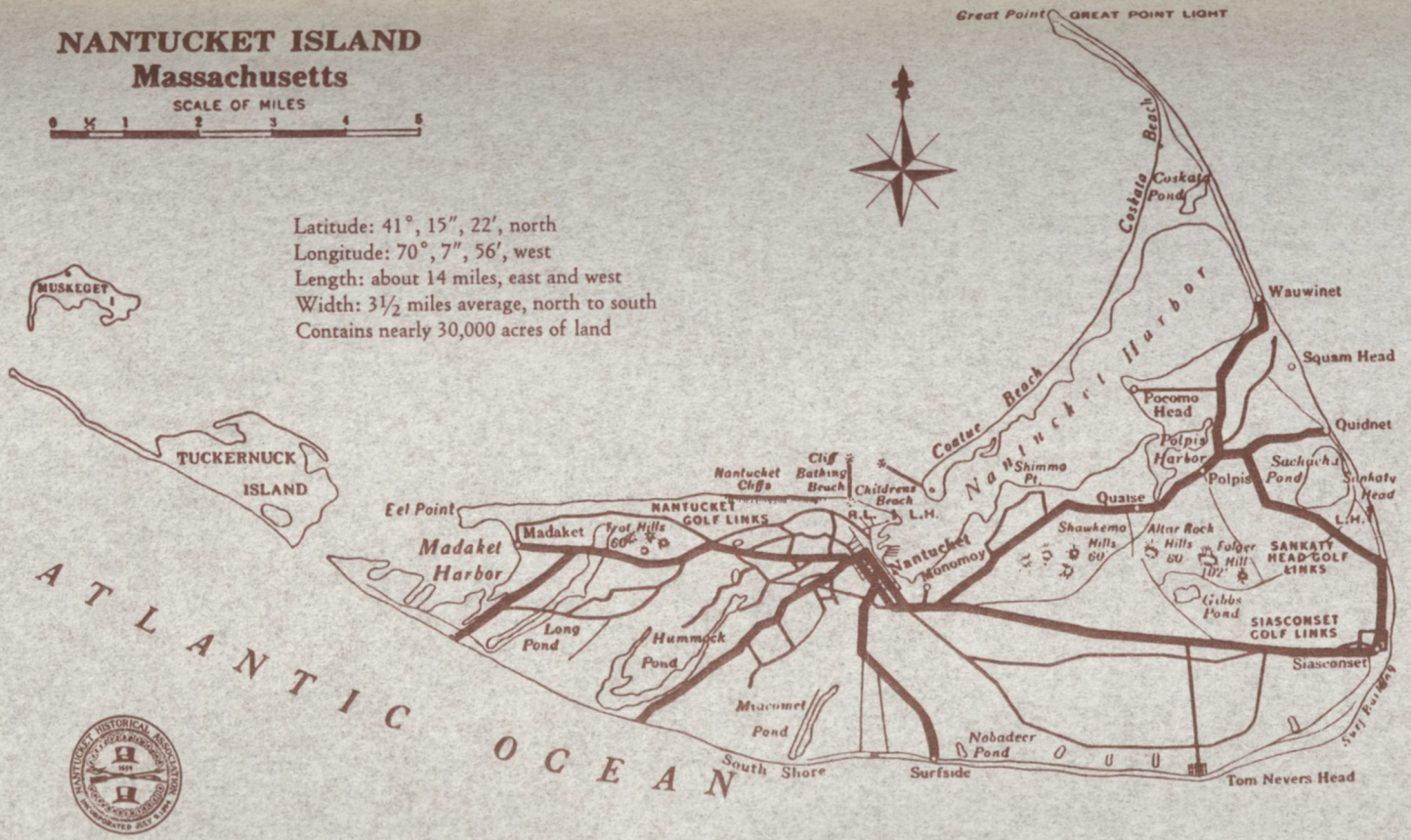
1900 — George A. Folger Brings First "Horseless Carriage" to Island
1901 — Beach House Built at 'Sconset
1902 — Maria Mitchell Association Formed
J. Killen & Son Manufacture First Artificial Ice on Island
1903 — Coffin School, Former Academy, Re-Opened for Manual Training
1904 — Winter Freeze-ups Stop Steamer Run for 31 Days
1905 — Nantucket Valued at $3,283,002
Greatest Snowfall Since 1886: 21.4 Inches
1906 — Capt. Charles Grant Dies — Island's Most Successful Whaling Master
Clara Parker Named Librarian of Atheneum
1907 — First Moving Pictures Shown on Nantucket
1908 — Maria Mitchell Memorial Observatory Dedicated
1909 — Steamer "Republic" Sinks; Wireless Telegraphy First Used to Save Lives at Sea
1910 — Nantucket Railroad Operates New Locomotive and Cars
1911 — Nantucket Cottage Hospital Organized
1912 — Blizzard Brings First Sleighing on Christmas Since 1878
1913 — Steamer "Sankaty" Makes Record Run to New Bedford: 3 hrs. 11 Mins.
1914 — Mitchell Ray's "Heave and Haul" Catch Is Largest in One Day

1915 – Steamer "Sankaty" Takes Largest Shipload of Fish from Island
Wharf Rat Club Starts
1916 – "Inquirer & Mirror" 5 Months Ahead of World With "Deutschland" U-Boat Story
Tom Nevers Head Land Boom Starts
1917 – Island Service Company Buys W. T. Swain & Co.
Nantucket Railroad Runs Last Train
1918 – Nantucket Railroad Track Shipped to France
1919 – Temperature Drops to 36 Degrees April 26
1920 – Town Meeting Appropriates Record $121,000
1921 – Sankaty Head Golf Club Incorporated; David Gray, Sr., Drives First Ball
1922 – Island Has First Winter of Day-and-Night Electric Service
1923 – "Hayden's Salt Water Baths" Move to Easy Street, to Become "Easy Street Gallery"
1924 – Six-Masted Schooner "Wyoming" Wrecked on Pollock Rip, All Hands Lost
1925 – Alexander Starbuck, Nantucket Historian, Dies at 84
Fire Damages Point Breeze Hotel
1926 – Two Does Imported, Set Free Near Squam, Gift of Breckinridge Long
1927 – Boston-Nantucket Passenger Plane Service Starts
1928 – Judge Bishop Receives White Gloves: No Crimes in July
1929 – 'Sconset Telephone Exchange Opens
1930 – Steamer "Nantucket" Caught in Rough Storm, Comes in Safely
1931 – Orange Street School Building Sold; Last Sitting of Superior Court There
1932 – "Nantucket Neighbors" Started by Rev. Herbert A. Jump
1933 – First and Last "Business Men's Banquet" Held
First Lighting of Sankaty Head Lighthouse by Electricity
1934 – John W. Cook Dies at 99; Oldest Male Resident
Last "Cattle Show and Fair," First Organized in 1856, Held by Agricultural Society
1935 – First Oregon-Licensed Auto Arrives; Last State to be Represented
1936 – New Post Office Opens on Federal Street; Miss Alice E. Roberts First Postmaster
1937 – Tony Sarg Inflates Big Balloon on South Beach Following "Sea Serpent" Visit
1938 – Nelson Dunham Elected Sheriff
1939 – Nantucket Pines Help Re-Plant Hurricane-Struck Long Island
1940 – Probably Island's Busiest Resort Year to Date
1941 – U. S. at War; Public Safety Committee Takes Headquarters in Sanford Building
1942 – Ship Torpedoed Off Bermuda, Survivors Brought to Nantucket
"Inquirer and Mirror" Publishes Its Largest Edition Ever
1943 – Coast Guard Takes Nesbitt Inn for Office and "Sick Bay"
1944 – No Stormy Days from June 25 to Sept. 13
1945 – "Catherine T." Brings in 90,000 Pounds of Fish
1946 – Northeast Airlines Begins Regular Nantucket Flights
"Inquirer and Mirror" Celebrates 125th Anniversary
1947 – Five New CAA Towers Blown Down at Madaket
Steamer "Nantucket" Goes to Mainland Empty: No Freight, Autos, or Passengers
1948 – U. S. Officially Turns Airport Over to Island
Television First Viewed on Island at Marine Appliance and John Stackpole's Home
1949 – Bad Fire Starts Near Fairgrounds Road; Over 1,000 Woodland Acres Burned
1950 – Lincoln Ceely Dies at 84; Caretaker of Town Clock for 40 Years
1951 – Eduoard A. Stackpole Awarded Guggenheim Fellowship for Research on Whaling
1952 – Austin Strong, Noted Playwright and a Founder of "Wharf Rat Club," Dies
1953 – First Issue of "Historic Nantucket" Published by Nantucket Historic Association;
W. Ripley Nelson, Editor
1954 – Main Street Made "One Way" for First Time
1955 – Maxwell Ryder and Allan Royal Win R. G. Schaefer Fishing Contest
Second Straight Year, Out of 33,000 Contestants
1956 – Miss Clara Parker Retires After 57 Years Service to Atheneum; 50 Years as Librarian
Andrea Doria Sinks 45 Miles Southeast of Nantucket
1957 – New Nantucket Cottage Hospital Dedicated
1958 – Northeast Airlines Plane Crashes; 24 Dead
Robert Mooney, 28, Island's First Democratic Representative, Re-elected

NANTUCKET ISLAND
Massachusetts

SCALE OF MILES
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Latitude: 41°, 15″, 22′, north
Longitude: 70°, 7″, 56′, west
Length: about 14 miles, east and west
Width: 3½ miles average, north to south
Contains nearly 30,000 acres of land



ATLANTIC OCEAN
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WELCOME TO NANTUCKET

We hope you will have a good share of our fine, fair weather while you are here. All the facilities of our island are available to you to help make your visit pleasant and memorable.

You are invited particularly to participate in the many special activities planned throughout the summer in conjunction with Nantucket's 300th Birthday. A schedule of events is presented on succeeding pages.

The whole island is in a birthday mood, so come along and join the fun.

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John R. Wagley	*Flying Dutchman International Sailing Trials*
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Schedule of Birthday Events for 1959 on Nantucket

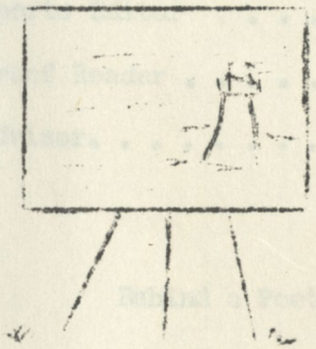
June 5 — Nantucket Display — N. E. Airlines, Boston
June 8-26 — Arts & Crafts Exhibit, Home Savings Bank, Boston
June 9-10 — Mass. Department of Natural Resources Meeting
June 12 — Nantucket Community Orchestra Concert
June 14 — Nantucket salutes brigantine "Yankee"
June 15-30 — Display of Nantucket Arts & Crafts, Mass. Department Commerce, 5th Ave., N. Y.
June 20 — Opening day of reception booths. Airport & Broad St.; High School Band concert; Beginning of distribution of birthday cake; Start daily guided tours by Girl Scouts
June 20-21 — Macy Family reunion
June 21 — Concert by 40 members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Nantucket High School Afternoon and evening performances
June 22 — Lecture, "Nantucket Holiday," sponsor: North Church Men's Club. Paul Whitten; Nantucket Sheep-Shearing Festival
June 23 — Mass. Petroleum Council salutes Nantucket
June 24 — Atlantic Fisheries Conference
June 25 — Nantucket display, Northeast Airlines, New York City
June 29 — Street decorations and signs go up
June 29 - July 17 — Nantucket Exhibit, Boston Public Library, Egleston Branch
June 29 - July 6 — Nantucket Exhibit, Northeast Airlines Terminal, Washington, D. C.
June 30 — Lecture "Isle of the Whalers," Ruth Ley
June 30 — Airport Open House
July 1 — "Nantucket Holiday" — lecture. Paul Whitten
July 2 — THE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
July 2 — Anniversary Baby (First child born after midnight July 1)
July 2 — Redmen's Ball, Nantucket High School Auditorium
July 4 — Parade and fireworks
July 5 — Methodist Church, 10:45 a.m. Preacher, Rev. Harry P. Folger, 2nd
July 6 — Celebrity Concert — Fiesta Flamenca
July 7 — Lecture: "Isle of the Whalers," Ruth Ley
July 7 — Square Dance, Bennett Hall
July 7-9 — Coffin Family reunion
July 8 — "Nantucket Holiday" — Paul Whitten
July 8-24 — Historical Exhibit — Merchants National Bank, South Station, Boston
July 10-24 — Nantucket Exhibit, Northeast Airlines, Philadelphia
July 11-12 — Veteran Motor Car Club meet
July 12 — Congregational Church. Rose Sunday; hymn singing by choir & public in front of church
July 13 — Designer fashion show
July 14 — Open Houses by D. A. R.
July 14 — Lecture: "Isle of the Whalers," Ruth Ley
July 15 — Lecture: "Nantucket Holiday" — Paul Whitten
July 15 — Cranberry Day
July 15, 16, 17 — Whaling Seminar — Nantucket Historical Association
July 21 — Nantucket Historical Association Annual Meeting
July 21 — Lecture: "Isle of the Whalers," Ruth Ley
July 21 — Professional Golf Exhibitions and Clinic at Sankaty Head Golf Club. George Bayer, Doug Ford, Julius Boros, and Art Wall

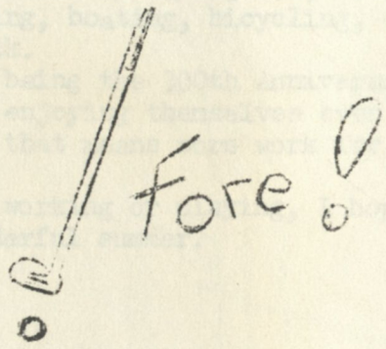
July 21 — Square Dance, Bennett Hall
July 22 — Concert — 567th Air Force Band
July 22 — Lecture, "Nantucket Holiday" — Paul Whitten
July 24 — Visit by Navy Blimp
July 25-26 — Sports Car Club of America. Gymkhana and Concours d'Elegance
July 25 — 7:00 p.m., Methodist 160th Anniversary Banquet, Bishop John Wesley Lord speaker
July 26 — 160th Anniversary sermon by Bishop John Wesley Lord. 10:45 a.m.
July 27 — Celebrity Concert — Odetta, folk singer
July 28 — Lecture: "Isle of the Whalers," Ruth Ley
July 29 — Lecture: "Nantucket Holiday," Paul Whitten
July 30 — U. S. Coast Guard Air-Sea Rescue Demonstration
July 30 — Nantucket Community Orchestra Concert
August 3 — Celebrity Concert: Claremont Quartet
August 4 — Square Dance Bennett Hall
August 5 — Lecture: "Nantucket Holiday," Paul Whitten
August 5-6 — Firemen's Muster. Hand pumps loaned by Nantucket Historical Association
August 7-9 — Navy recognition of Nantucket's 300th Birthday; Visit by U.S.S. Miller with Navy Band; Dedication of plaque to William Mooers
August 11 — Main Street Fete
August 11 — Yacht Club Ball
August 12 — Lecture: "Nantucket Holiday," Paul Whitten
August 12, 13, 14 — Whaling Seminar, Nantucket Historical Association
August 15 — Mass. Department of Commerce recognition of Nantucket's 300th Birthday; "Made in Massachusetts" fashion show
August 16 — Congregational Church Hydrangea Sunday. With hymn singing by choir and public in front of church
August 16 — Methodist Church 10:45 a.m. Service. Guest preacher, Rev. Harry P. Folger, 2d.
August 17-22 — Flying Dutchman International Sailing Trials. Final elimination for U. S. Entry 1959 Pan American Games
August 19 — Navy helicopter demonstration
August 19 — Lecture: "Nantucket Holiday," Paul Whitten
August 20-21 — Bunker Family reunion
August 20-22 — North American National Championships, Flying Dutchmen
August 22 — Courtesy Town Meeting for Non-resident Taxpayers
August 25 — Square Dance, Bennett Hall
August 26 — Lecture: "Nantucket Holiday," Paul Whitten
August 26-27 — Conference on "Man in Space"
August 26 — Folger Family reunion
August 31 — Celebrity Concert: Leonard Rose, Cellist
September 2-3 — Conference on Water Resources
September 7 — Celebrity Concert: Geoffrey Holder, dancer, and Rawn Spearman, singer
September 10 — Concert, Nantucket Community Orchestra
September 12-13 — Civil Air Patrol Fly-In
September 12 — Nantucket Commemorative Parade
September 12 — American Legion Post and American Legion Auxiliary. 10th District Conference
September 12-13 — Hussey Family reunion
September 14-16 — Academy of Arts & Sciences honors Maria Mitchell
September 17-18 — Meeting of the Governor's Travel Advisory Committee
September 19 — Grand Voiture, 40 and 8 Outing
Brigantine "Yankee" will be in Nantucket and adjacent waters throughout the summer
Public Clam Bakes each Sunday from July 6 - August 30.
Dates will be published when definitely fixed for: Civic League Garden Tours; Sidewalk Art Show; Nature Walks

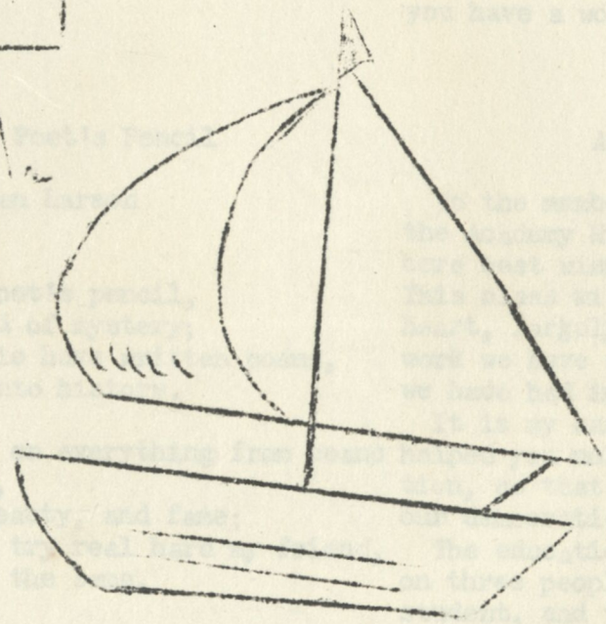
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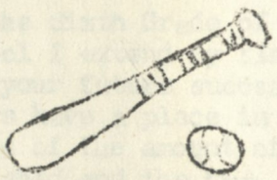
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Editorial

Bruce Johnston

In just a short time, we will be getting out of school. That means nor more reading, writing, or arithmetic.

Most children will be having fun, either swimming, camping, boating, bicycling, or riding horseback.

This summer, being the 300th Anniversary, people will be enjoying themselves even more, but then that means more work for everyone.

Whether it's working or playing, I hope you have a wonderful summer.

Behind a Poet's Pencil

Karen Larson

Behind a poet's pencil,
Lies a land of mystery;
Where people have written poems,
Far back into history.

They write on everything from beans
to nuts,
Of love, beauty, and fame;
And if you try real hard my friend,
You can do the same.

For behind a poet's pencil,
Is just a rough old hand;
And behind the hand is a person,
Who likes to dream as he did in
childhood land.

So please don't say that you can't
write,
Because I know it isn't true;
Anyone who puts his mind to it
Can do anything he wants to do.

Advisor's Comment

To the members of the Sixth Grade of the Academy Hill School I extend my sincere best wishes for your future success. This class will always have a place in my heart, largely because of the amount of work we have accomplished and the fun we have had in doing it.

It is my earnest desire that I have helped you mold your educational foundation, so that you may assume your role in our democratic society.

The education of any individual depends on three people, namely; the teacher, the student, and the parent. If any of the three fail in their obligation, then the student is the loser, and ultimately, our country. A brick building is only as sturdy as the bricks which make it up. If the bricks are weak in composition, then the building collapses.

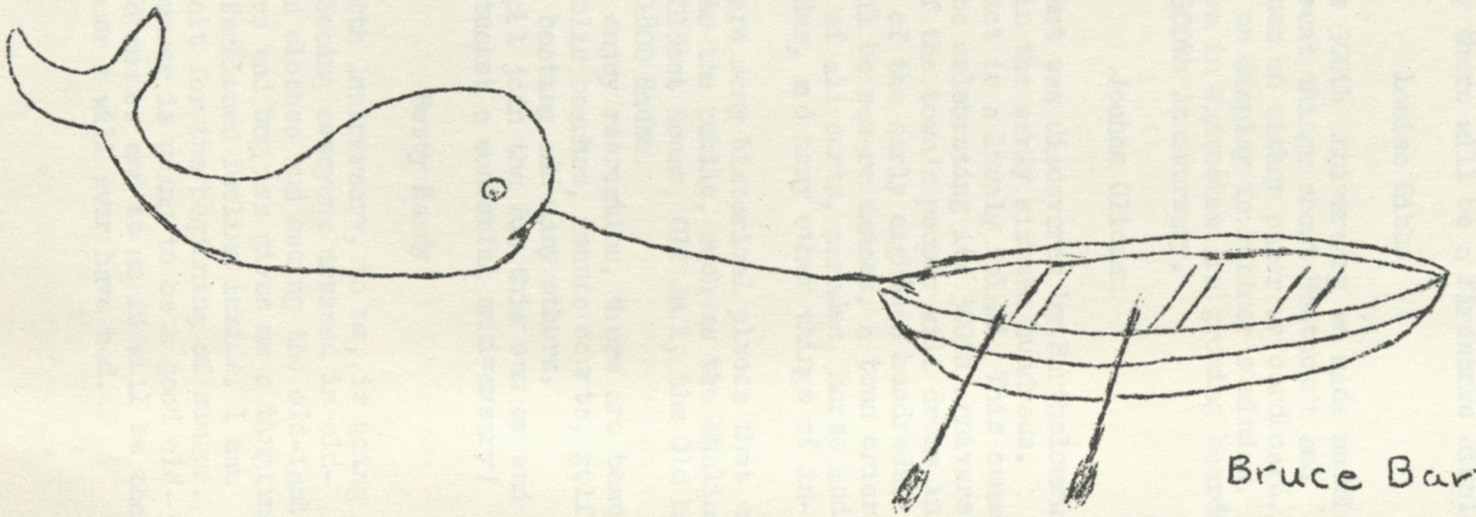
By the same token we are the bricks in a large brick building- the United States of America. If any of us should fail to do his part, then our country becomes weaker by degrees. Let's start to strengthen ourselves educationally, so that the evils of communism will be wiped from the face of the earth forever.

Educationing yourselves is a long tedious job, but set a high goal for yourselves and then get to work and try to reach it.

Nantucket, Mass.

300th

Anniversary



Bruce Bartlett

NANTUCKET

Bruce Bartlett

The popular summer resort of Nantucket lies off the coast of Massachusetts. The name was taken from the Indian word Nanicut which means "The Far Away Land."

Nantucket is located eighteen miles south of Cape Cod, and about fifty miles southeas of New Bedford.

Before the Revolutionary War, Nantucket was one of the greatest whaling centers in the world. As many as 135 whaling ships had their home port here.

Nantucket was granted to the Plymouth Company by the British Crown in 1621. The island belonged to the province of New York from 1660 to 1692, when it became a part of Massachusetts.

Betsy Clements

This year Nantucket will celebrate its 300th Anniversary. All the people of Nantucket and most of the people off-island hope this will be the best celebration yet.

People dressed in clothes of the whaling era will not be an unusual sight on the streets. A Giant Birthday Cake will greet all the passengers coming off the steamers.

Parades, special days, and square dances will play a big part in the anniversary.

Some of the sights on Nantucket to see this summer will be: the Whaling Museum, the Oldest House, and the Fair Street Museum, just to mention a few.

When you come to Nantucket one thing you should not forget is a camera and some film. If you come once you will come again.

Let's make this the best birthday celebration yet!

Wade Fletcher

Nantucket will celebrate its 300th Anniversary starting in June. Nantucket was incorporated in 1659, but the first English people came in 1601.

Some of the men are growing beards like the first men who once lived here.

The women are going to make dresses like the ones in the old days.

The Boston Symphony Orchestra will visit in June with a performance at the Nantucket High School.

In July there will be a fireworks display.

Louise Gibbs

For the 300th Anniversary we made models of different things about Nantucket and pasted them on either paper or cardboard. They are on display in Buttner's window.

Some men in Nantucket are growing beards for the 300th Anniversary.

Joanne Glidden

Nantucket was discovered by Bartholomew Gosnold in the early sixteen hundreds.

Nantucket is a lovely island. This summer it will be celebrating its 300th Anniversary.

Some of the town's people will dress in costumes of the early eighteen hundreds. There will be square dances, a town crier, contests of all sorts, parades, horse and buggy rides, and many other things of interest.

There are many historical places that will be open to the public, such as the Whaling Museum, Oldest House, Old Jail, the Old Mill and the 1800 House.

If you enjoy recreation, there are beautiful public beaches, tennis courts, golf, fishing, boating and many others.

Let's all join the fun this summer and give Nantucket a wonderful anniversary!

Betty Hardy

The 300th Anniversary, to me, is going to be fun. Seeing everyone dressed in old-fashioned clothes and seeing the old-fashioned cars and buggies gives me a tingling and old-fashioned feeling inside. I can hardly wait for the beginning of summer.

This summer is going to be a good old-fashioned summer and to me it will be the best summer I will ever have had.

Sally Ingram

There are a lot of things you can see in Nantucket. You can visit the Whaling Museum and the Oldest House, the 1800 House and many more.

Nantucket has many nice beaches too. The Jetties, Cliffside, and Dionis are but a few.

It is warm in the summer and cold in the winter. It is a nice little island 30 miles at sea, and everybody likes it.

Bruce Johnston

In commemoration of 300 years of being incorporated, Nantucket is going to devote this summer to a celebration.

There will be square dances, fireworks, horses and carriages for the public to ride on. About forty pieces of the Boston Symphony Orchestra will visit the Island and put on a performance.

There will be a day when a group of Nantucketers will be dressed as during the old whaling days.

The Navy and Air Force will give recognition to Nantucket's 300th Birthday. There will also be a Nantucket Day in all the Massachusetts Public Schools.

Nantucket was discovered really in 1602 by an Englishman named Bartholomew Gosnold. He found the Island inhabited by about 700 Indians, whose leader was Massassoit.

Nantucket is an Indian word meaning "Land far off at sea", and is often known as the "Little Gray Lady".

We all hope that this will be a bang-up celebration.

Carol King

The 300th Anniversary will be celebrated with block dances, concerts, plays and visits by many important people.

The people at the Information Bureau and Buttner's are going to wear the costumes of the old days.

Tristram Coffin of "26 Men" will be here for the Coffin reunion. Other family reunions will include the Husseys, Gardners, and Swains.

There was a birthday card contest in which George Folger, Jr. of the housing project won a prize for the best verse.

Karen Larson

I think we should all be very proud that our Little Gray Lady by the sea is 300 years old. Being a lady, I don't know how the Island feels about it, but I'm sure she will enjoy seeing herself as she was 300 years ago.

Lots of women and girls are making dresses of the 1850 period and are going to wear them to church and to other places they might want to go. Won't it look quaint and lovely to see women walking by old whaling mansions decked out in their long dresses and bonnets?

You can't miss the events that are going to happen during the summer. A few of which are: an antique airplane show, a sheep-shearing festival, and many more. All-in-all Nantucket should have a festive summer season basking in the sun and enjoying the hub bub around it.

Brian Legg

Nantucket's 300th Anniversary means to me a lot of work for the Town's people because they have to re-decorate Nantucket as it appeared in 1659. The celebration begins in June, 1959.

For sights they will probably have carts drawn by horses, square dances, fireworks, people dressed in 1659 costumes, and decorations of things used 300 years ago. They might have "two beaver hats and 30 pounds".

Charles O'Neil

This year is Nantucket's 300th Anniversary. It was discovered by Bartholomew Gosnold in 1602 and was incorporated in 1659. At that time there were about 1500 Indians living on the Island.

The celebration will begin with a visit by the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

later on there will be a three-day visit by a destroyer and escorts. On the Fourth of July there will be fireworks at the Jetties Bathing Beach.

Aline Plucinski

Nantucket is having its 300th Anniversary this coming summer. The reason for having this celebration is that three hundred years ago Nantucket was incorporated.

Nantucket has many interesting spots. Some of the spots you might like to see are the Old Mill, the Oldest House, the Whaling Museum, and many more.

We will have fireworks on the evening of July 3. Square dances, sheep-shearing contests and other events will take place.

If you like beaches you will like Nantucket. Nantucket has many beautiful beaches. We also have many forests where you may go on picnics. To me, Nantucket is like a great big palace, with a great big kingdom.

Mary Psaradelis

The 300th Anniversary will take place this summer. The celebration will include the honoring of Nantucket's famous places and the things that used to be done long ago.

It is hoped that there will be more tourists than ever before. There will also be parades, firecrackers, and contests of different types. The tourists will be traveling over the Island to see some of its famous places.

If you want to take part in Nantucket's 300th Anniversary, be here any time after June 20.

Richard Ray

Nantucket Island is one of the most beautiful islands in the spring and the summer.

Many historical places may be visited, which include the Old Mill, the 1800 House, the Whaling Museum, and the Oldest House.

Other points of interest are the sandy beaches, Great Point Light and Brant Point.

Bass fishing, sail boating, swimming, horseback riding, surf board riding and skin diving are some of the sports which you can take part in.

Each morning you are awakened by the little birds singing in the trees.

Joe Rezendes

This year Nantucket is celebrating its 300th birthday.

There will besquare dancing, an air show, and a sheep-shearing contest. The Boston Symphony Orchestra will also visit Nantucket in June.

Sybil Talford

Nantucket is celebrating its 300th Anniversary this summer. Throughout the Massachusetts Public Schools there is going to be a "Nantucket Day".

The Boston Pops is coming down and there will be parades, fireworks, block and square dancing. Tris Coffin of "Twenty-Six Men" is coming for the Coffin reunion.

Tourist trade will probably be quite large and the beaches will be crowded.

We expect a gay and happy summer.

Roberta Waine

This summer Nantucket is celebrating its 300th Anniversary. Nantucket is going to turn the clock back and recapture the charms of the 18th and 19th Centuries.

Women and children will dress as Quakers, if they wish to.

Nantucket means "Land far off at sea", or as it is sometimes called the "Little Gray Lady".

This summer Nantucket will have more tourists, bands, and parades than ever before. I think this will be the best summer we've had.

Larry Whelden

I think the 300th Anniversary is going to be a lot of fun. Many have spent a lot of money and time in preparing for it.

All the boys in my class are talking about what they are going to do this coming summer.

The Anniversary is going to start sometime in June. Here are some of the things that are going to take place: fireworks, dancing, horse and carriage rides and many more things.

Billy Yarmy

Nantucket will celebrate its 300th Birthday this coming summer.

Many tourists will visit Nantucket and go to our beaches.

There will be a day when the Air Force will help to celebrate the 300th Anniversary. There will be fireworks and people dressed as they did in the old days.

Robert Strout

The Oldest House is a very interesting place to see. There is an old iron flintlock gun at the Oldest House.

The Whaling Museum is another place to see. They have harpoons and models of whale boats.

The beaches on Nantucket are good and so is the swimming. There are places to eat on the beach also.

There is the Old Mill that use to grind corn in the winter and also in the summer. The Old Mill can be seen from almost everywhere.

Nantucket is a wonderful place in which to live.

Leroy Anderson

The 300th Anniversary is going to be a big time on the Island of Nantucket. The Boston Symphony Orchestra will visit Nantucket in June.

Old costumes will be worn through the streets. The old fire engine will go through the streets, as well as horses and buggies.

Ellen Grant

Nantucket is celebrating its 300th Anniversary this year. Our Town is going to turn back the pages of its history and relive the beginning of our Country.

If you visit Nantucket, you can visit the Whaling Museum, which is located on Broad Street. There are many more places which you can go to see. There are also many beaches.

Nantucket is famous for its fishing, so you can visit its docks. Many years ago Nantucket was famous for its sheep raising.

Bruce King

This summer Nantucket will celebrate its 300th Anniversary. There'll be entertainment for young and old alike. There will be fireworks that will lighten your eyes.

The Navy is going to take part in this celebration, too. A destroyer is coming to Nantucket for an open house.

We Nantucketers hope that plenty of people will come this summer to see Nantucket's 300th Anniversary.

Bob Davis

Nantucket's 300th Birthday should be a bang-up celebration. There will be lots of fun and excitement for everyone.

There will be square dances for all the people to participate. There will also be fireworks, which everyone is sure to enjoy.

The Navy and Air Force will help celebrate the Birthday, also.

Judy Hamilton

This year Nantucket is celebrating its 300th Anniversary.

Nantucket's History started when it was purchased for 30 pounds and two beaver hats.

The Little Gray Lady, as the whalers called it, because it was made up of Quakers, became a great whaling port. Then when people stopped using oil and the Gulf Stream came closer to land, Nantucket gave up whaling.

Now Nantucket is in the midst of the tourist trade. Some of the historical spots are: the Oldest House, the Old Mill, Sankaty Light, Whaling Museum, Maria Mitchell House and Observatory, Christian Science Reading Room and Quaker Meeting House.

Richard Stewart

In school we have been studying Nantucket History and Geography. We have taken field trips to the Whaling Museum and also the Fair Street Museum.

This summer there is going to be a destroyer escort visit Nantucket. There will also be a fireworks display. The Boston Symphony Orchestra is coming in June.

Many people will wear old costumes and many men are growing beards.

"Woody"
Judy Hamilton

Woody the bear, Woody the bear,
Snarlin and growlin, and a sniffin the air.
He can spot a fire before it starts to flame,
That's why they call him Woody, that was how he burnt his name.

Suzanne Spencer

Nantucket's 300th Anniversary has come at last.

Soon Nantucket's cobblestoned streets will be filled with tourists and natives dressed in quaint old dresses worn by the Islanders long ago.

Horse buggies and horses will clip-clop up our old streets and all of the old homes, historical places, and the wharves will be seen and used by all.

The Island will be a lot different than in 1800, but we hope by dressing and acting like these old people did, we may bring back some of Nantucket's History.

The Tall Tale

Bruce King

April 1, 1959, I saw a large rock which was cracked open. There was something shinning in it like gold. I didn't have any equipment to get it out.

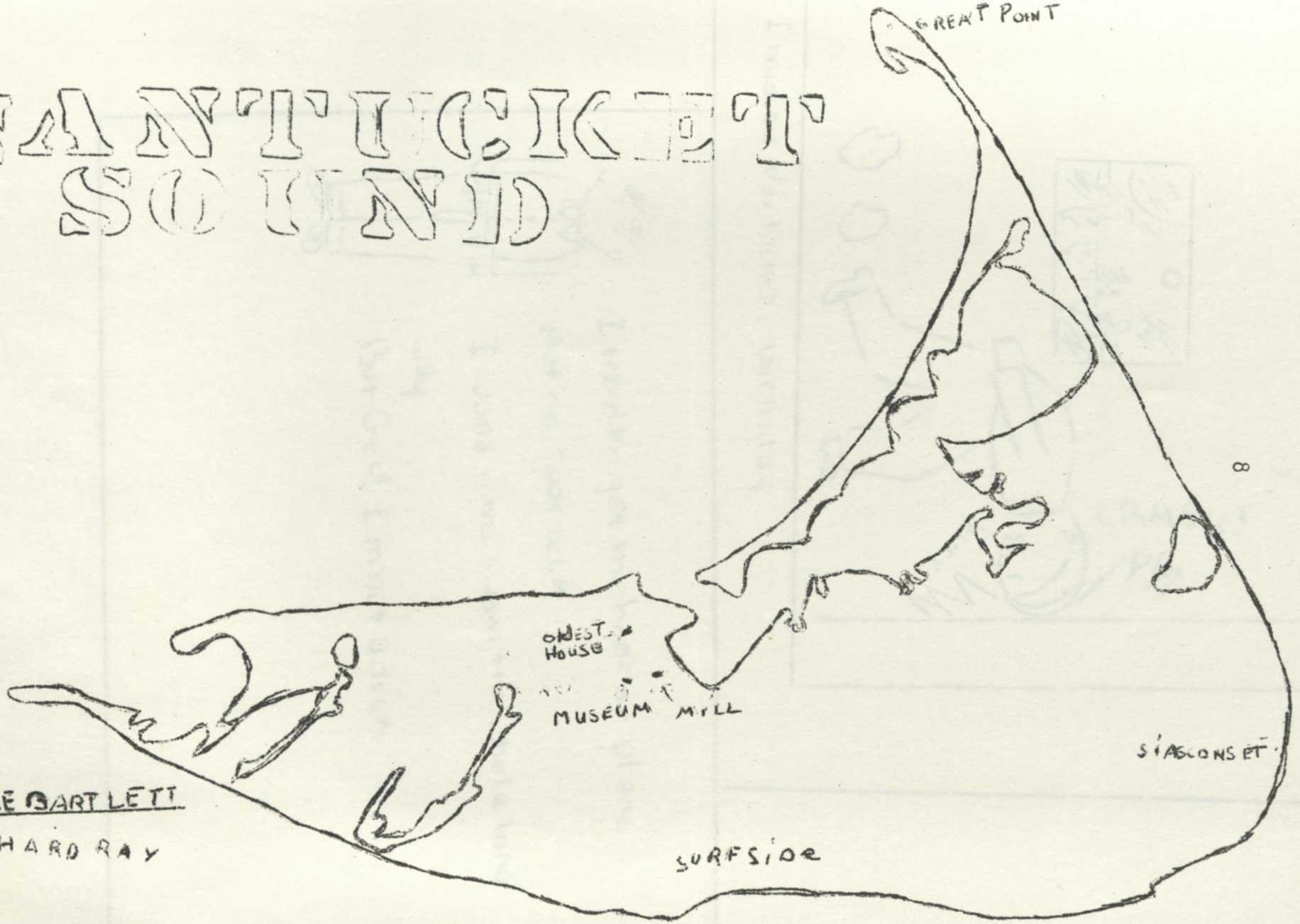
April 1, 1959(three hours later). I went back to get the gold. When I got there, there wasn't any gold, only a note saying:

"Roses are red
Violets are blue
It's April 1st
And I fooled you."

A German got Hungary and fried Turkey in Greece.

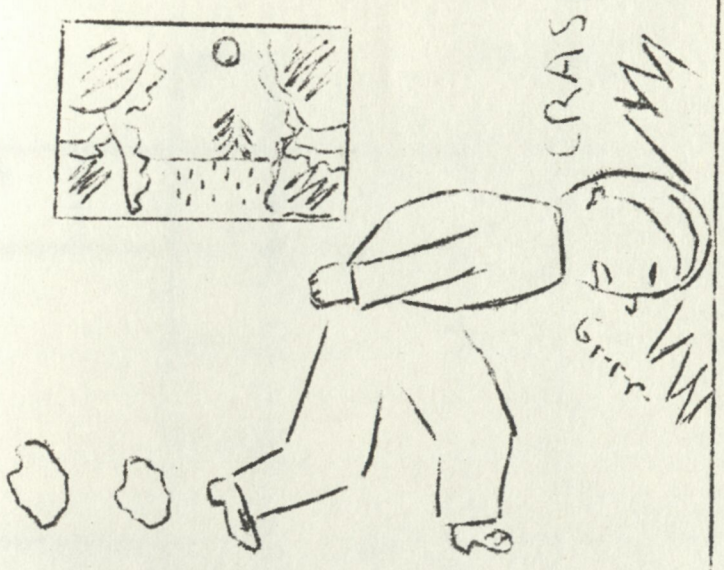
(Roy Anderson)

NANTUCKET SOUND

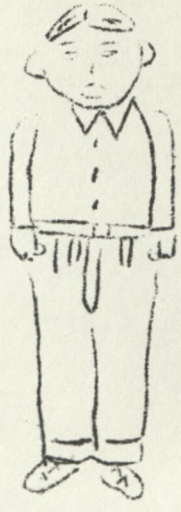


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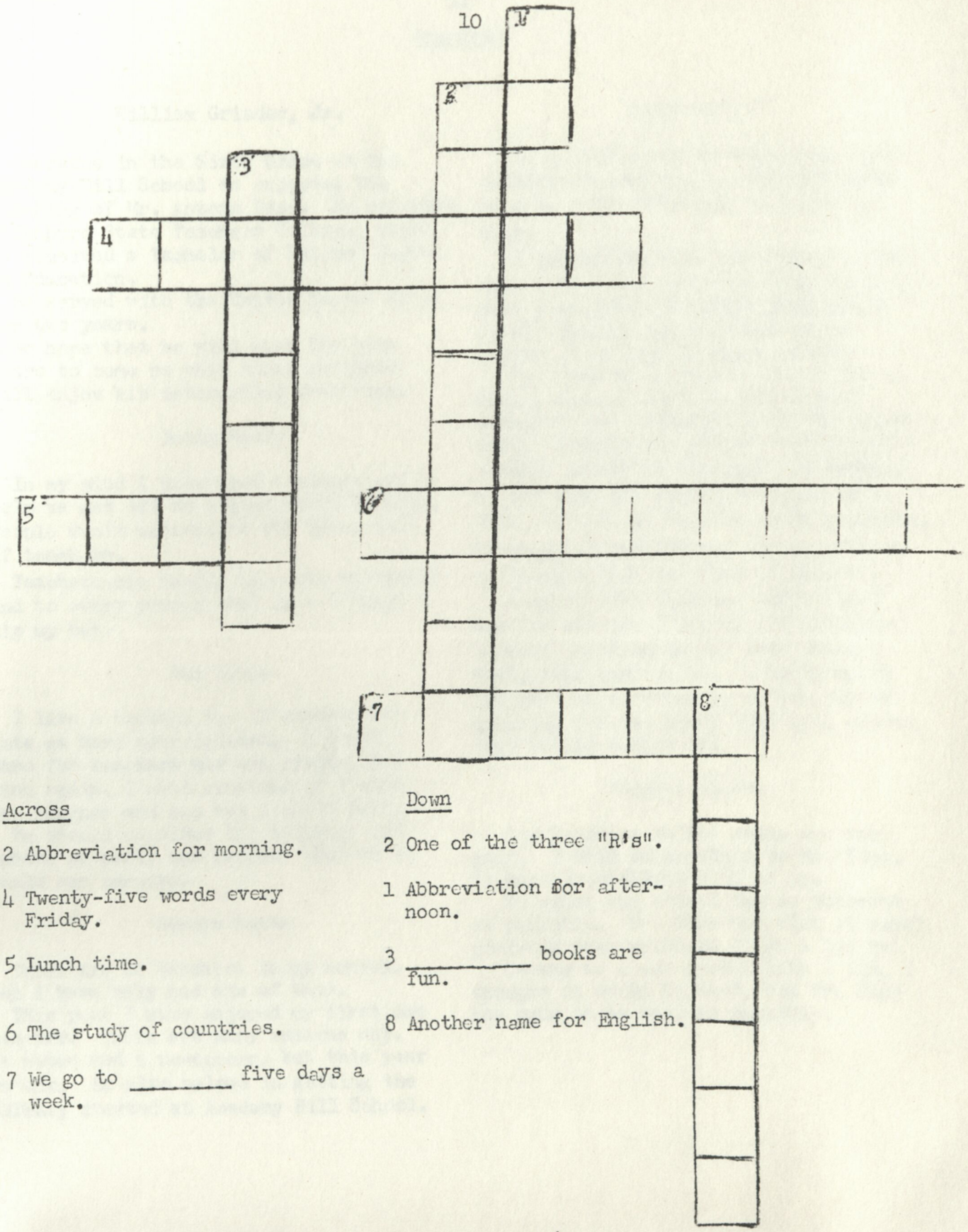


I missed Nantucket's birthday



I tried to get the boat or plane
But no such luck
I would have swam the whole long
way
But Geez, I'm not a duck

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Across

2 Abbreviation for morning.

4 Twenty-five words every Friday.

5 Lunch time.

6 The study of countries.

7 We go to _____ five days a week.

Down

2 One of the three "R's".

1 Abbreviation for afternoon.

3 _____ books are fun.

8 Another name for English.

Made by
Larry Whelden
Bruce Bartlett

TEACHERS

William Grieder, Jr.

Everyone in the Sixth Grade at the Academy Hill School is enjoying the teaching of Mr. Antone Dias. He attended Fitchburg State Teachers College, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education.

He served with the United States Navy for two years.

We hope that he will stay for some years to come so that other children will enjoy his interesting teachings.

Betty Hardy

In my mind I know that teachers are to help us get off to a good start in life. People don't understand the importance of teachers.

Teachers are needed all over the world and to every person that is a teacher I tip my hat.

Pat Moore

I like a teacher who is strict, but lets us have some freedom. I don't care for teachers who are crabby, but then again, I must consider if I were the teacher and see how I would feel.

We should consider the teachers and behave properly and respect them as we would our parents.

Sandra Smith

There are 10 teachers in my school, but I have only had six of them.

This year I have enjoyed my first man teacher. There are many reasons why. We never had a newspaper, but this year we did. He also helped in getting the library started at Academy Hill School.

Karen Larson

In my six years of experience with teachers I am happy to say I've never been in serious trouble with any of them.

I sympathize with them because they have a hard job to do and most of them do a good job. Sometimes they are a little crabby, but so would we be crabby if we were in their places.

My ideal of a teacher is one who is fairly strict, that is just strict enough to have discipline in the classroom. I think the pupils should have a certain amount of freedom, not running up and down the aisles at their free will, be able to talk to their neighbor, if they ask permission, and be able to be excused from the room if need be.

I guess I've finished about all I have to say and I admire all teachers, because teaching is the last thing I would ever want to do. I would never ask any man or woman to do the job of teaching for the money they get, unless they really wanted to.

Stephen Slosek

The teachers on the whole are very good. I will do my story on Mr. Dias. He has his problems - 34 of us.

He makes the school day as pleasant as possible. Mr. Dias has alot of small projects with which we learn a lot by.

Coming to a new school like I did, I thought it would be hard, but Mr. Dias has made it as easy as possible.

Joke Page

(Taken from Boys' Life)

She: What job did you hold in the Navy?
Sailor: Ship's optometrist.
She: What did you do?
Sailor: My job was to cut the eyes out of potatoes.

Tom: My father has George Washington's watch in his collection.
Bill: So what, my father has Adam's Apple.

Real Estate agent: Now here is a house without a flaw.
Virginian Belle: What do y'all walk on?

"You sometimes find a pearl in oyster stew," remarked the waiter pleasantly. But the customer only grunted, "I'm looking for oysters."

Daffynishion: Genius - a "crackpot" who made a "screwball" idea work out.

The woman was showing her new maid about the house. As they walked into the dining room she said, "This table goes back to Louis the Fourteenth." "That's nothing," said the maid, "My whole living room set goes back to Sears the Fifteenth."

White man to Indian guide: Are you lost?
Indian guide: Indian not lost, him here, trail lost.

Teacher: Can anyone give me an example of poor economy?
Pupil: I know a man who was taking such long steps to save his ten-dollar shoes that he split his twenty-dollar trousers.

An Army private was at the front during a very hard battle. Suddenly he began to run away from the fighting. He was running like the wind, when a captain stepped from behind a tree and demanded: "Why are you running?" "Because I can't fly," said the private.

A little boy ran into a drugstore very excited and shouted, "A bull's chasing my dad!"
"What do you want me to do about it?" said the nervous clerk.
"Put film in my camera quick!" the boy replied.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS- as of June 3

American League

Cleveland	25	18	.581	----
Chicago	25	20	.556	1
Baltimore	25	21	.543	1½
Kansas City	21	21	.500	3½
Detroit	21	23	.477	4½
New York	19	23	.452	5½
Washington	21	26	.447	6
Boston	19	27	.442	6

National League

Milwaukee	29	19	.630	----
San Francisco.	27	20	.574	2½
Pittsburgh	25	22	.532	4½
Los Angeles	25	24	.510	5½
Chicago	23	24	.489	6½
Cincinnati	22	25	.468	7½
St. Louis	19	27	.413	10
Philadelphia	17	28	.378	11½

Bruce Johnston

Nantucket History

Ellen Grant

The Sixth Grade is studying a Unit on Nantucket History. In so doing, the students made collages about Nantucket in correlation with the 300th Anniversary. They have been on display in Buttner's window.

Field Trip to the Whaling Museum

Aline Plucinski

On May 14, 1959, the Sixth Grade took a trip to the Whaling Museum.

The first thing we saw was the old Cooper Room on the first floor. Coming back towards the door we saw a room called the Blacksmith Shop. In it was an old bellow.

After that we went to the Scrimshaw Room and in it we saw part of a whale jaw bone, ivory canes, which were hand carved on a whaling vessel. We also saw some very old pictures of some sea captains. We also saw an old sea chest and an old Medicine chest.

After a little while we went upstairs and saw a carved ship niger and many hand carved things brought back from the South Seas and the Pacific.

Then we went into the most exciting room of all. The first thing we saw was an old whale boat, which is thirty feet long. Then we saw a great big whale bone which is 14 feet high.

These are just a few things we saw and you may see them, also. We wish to thank Mr. Nelson and Mr. Cartwright, who made it possible for us to see these things.

Elementary Baseball League

William Grieder, Jr.

Every spring and summer some of the boys from the elementary grades play baseball at Mr. Rowley's Field. Sometimes we have as many as eighteen or twenty boys wanting to play ball.

At first we used rocks or stones for the bases, but we were afraid that someone might get seriously injured. We decided to make bases out of burlap sacks. These bases were made by Larry Whelden, Wade Fletcher III, Bruce Johnston and Billy Grieder, Jr.

We would like to thank the A & P Store for giving us the sacks. We would also like to thank Mr. Rowley for letting us use his field.

Field Trip to the Fair Street Museum

Carol King

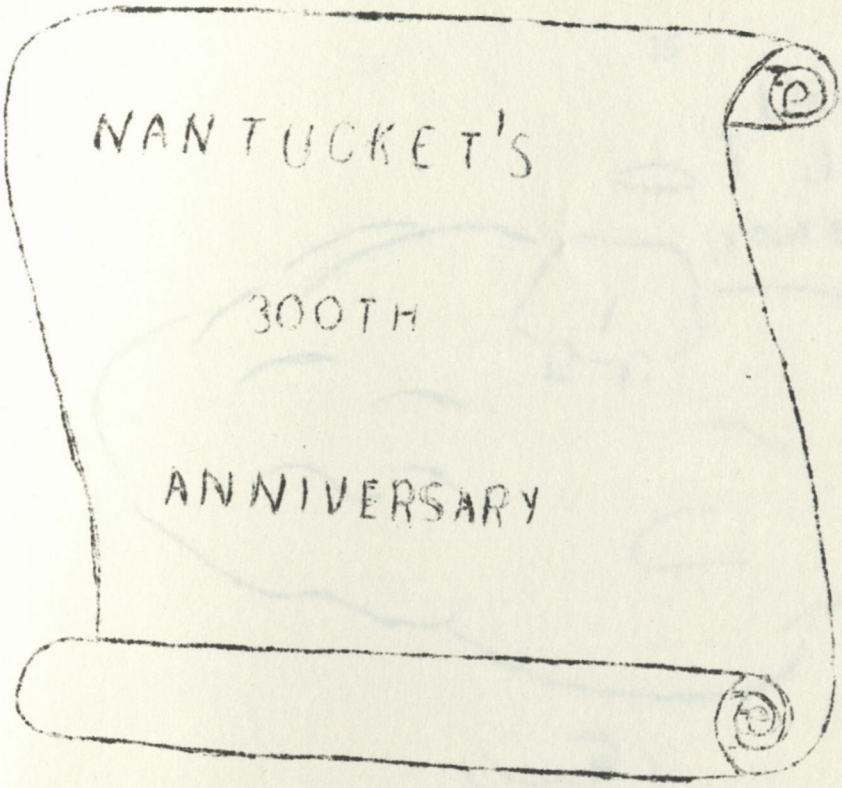
On Wednesday afternoon (May 20, 1959) we went to the Fair Street Museum. Mrs. Mather took us upstairs and explained about things of great importance.

We went down to the basement and saw a Chinese tub, two or three fire engines, and a lot more things.

We thank Mrs. William Mather and Mr. George Jones for making it possible for us to go to the Museum.

Just because you have mustard in your ears, it doesn't mean you are a hot dog. (R. Stewart)

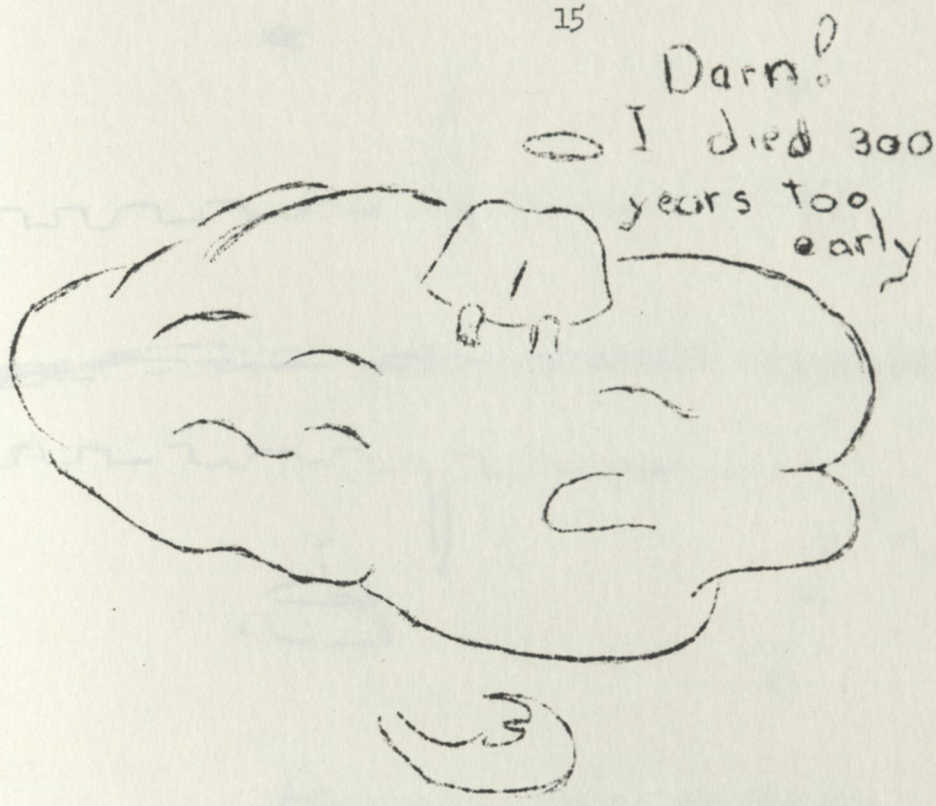
A good teacher is one who does not give homework. (Bruce King)



ROSES ARE RED
GRASS IS GREEN
NANTUCKET IS BEAUTIFUL
BECAUSE IT'S CLEAN

WE HAVE LOTS OF LAND
AND LOTS OF SEA
NANTUCKET'S JUST RIGHT
FOR YOU AND ME

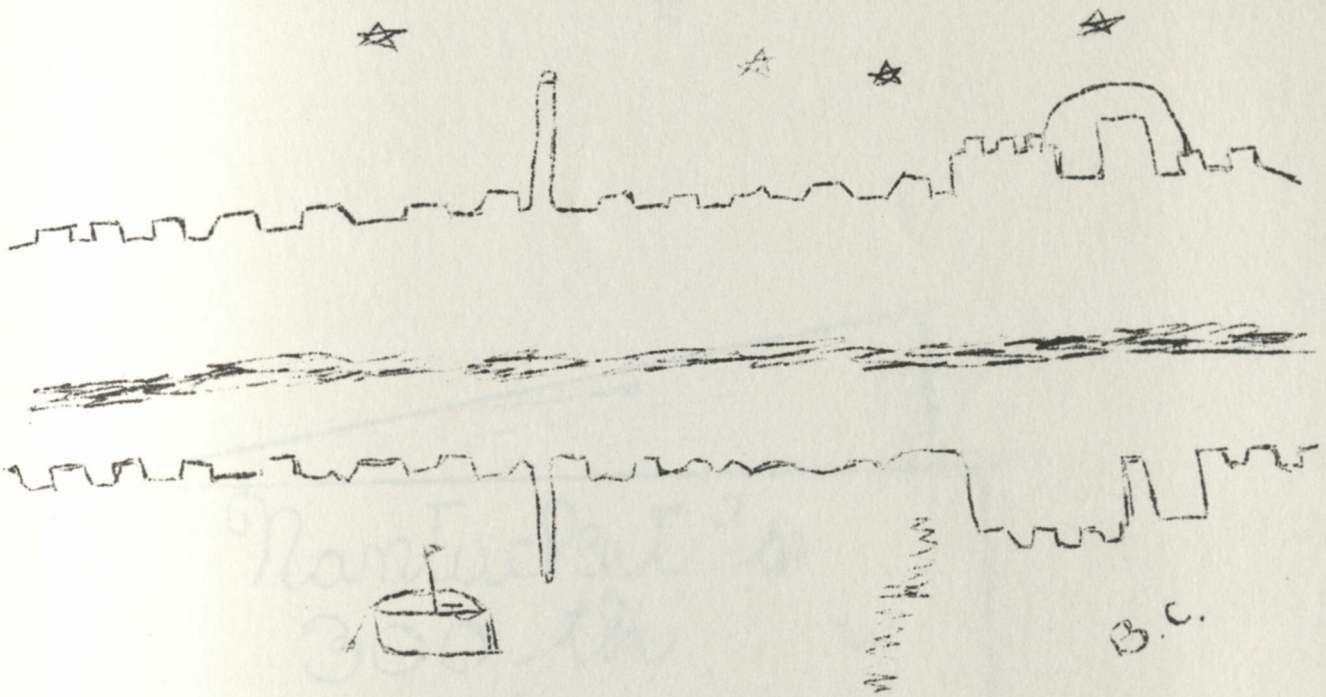
B.K.



Coffin, up in the Clouds
He sits

(He's all over and done)
Wishing he hadn't died so
soon
So he could join in the
"Fun"

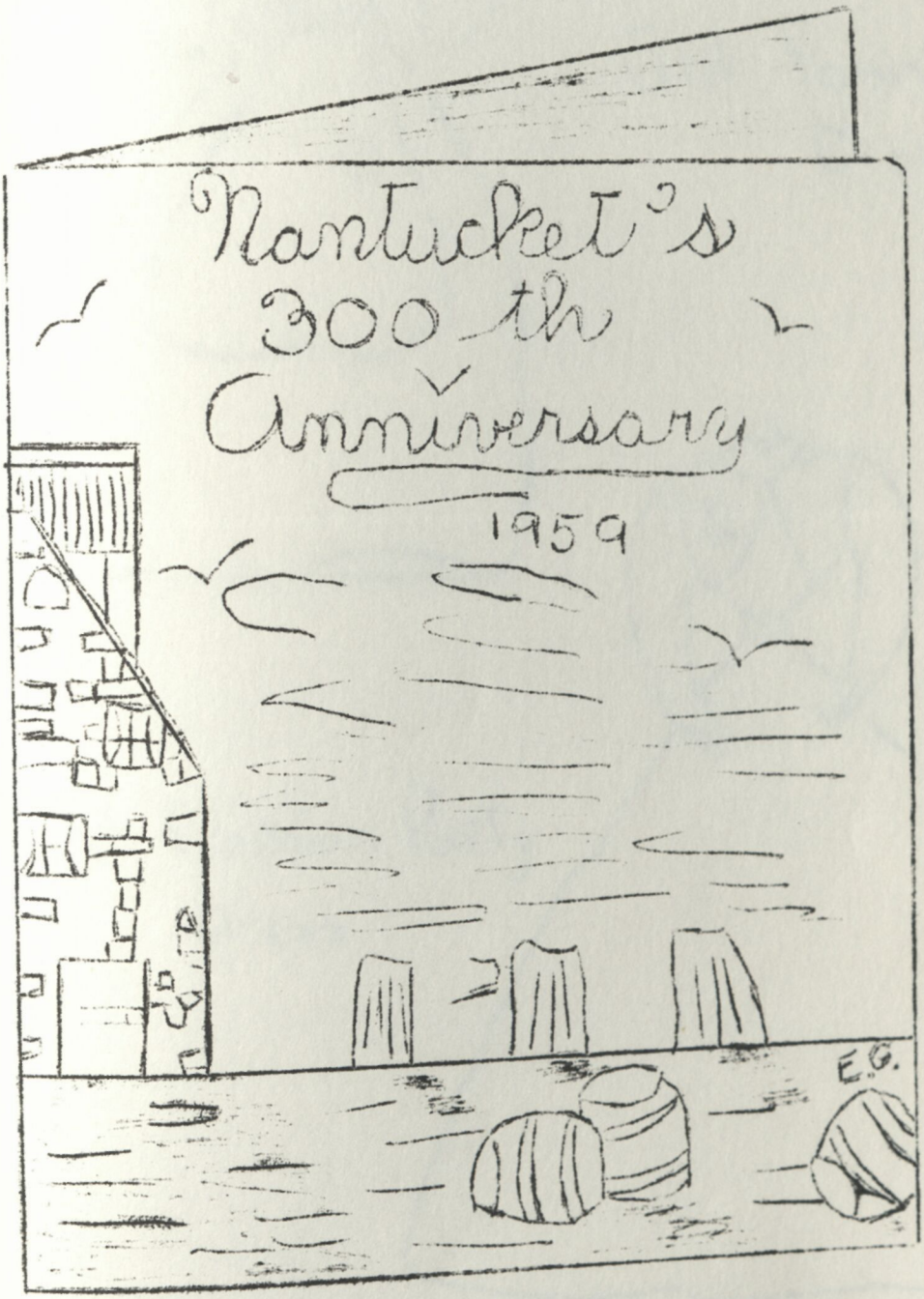
R.W.

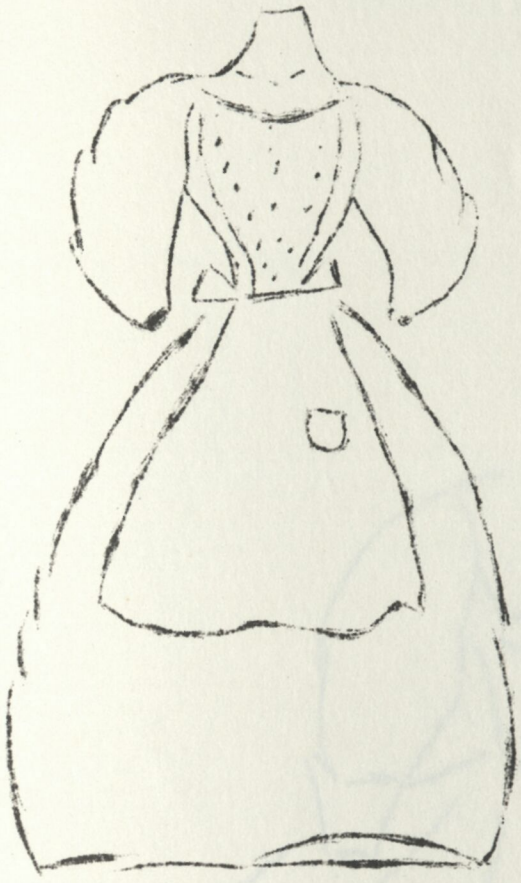


Across the moors
Across the hill
Across the sand
Everything's still.

The "Little Gray Lady"
Is now asleep
Around the town
There's not a peep

But tomorrow there will
be excitment and fun
For 300 years ago the
white men had come.


Nantucket's
300th
Anniversary
1959
E.G.



Old Fashion House Dress



Old Fashion Party Dress

S.S.

Quaker
Costume



Sunday Best

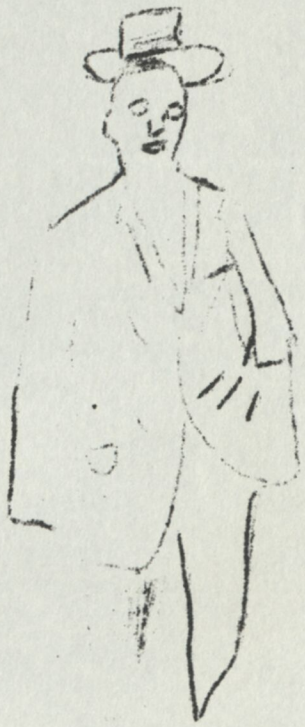


A.G.P.

FASHIONS OF 1600's

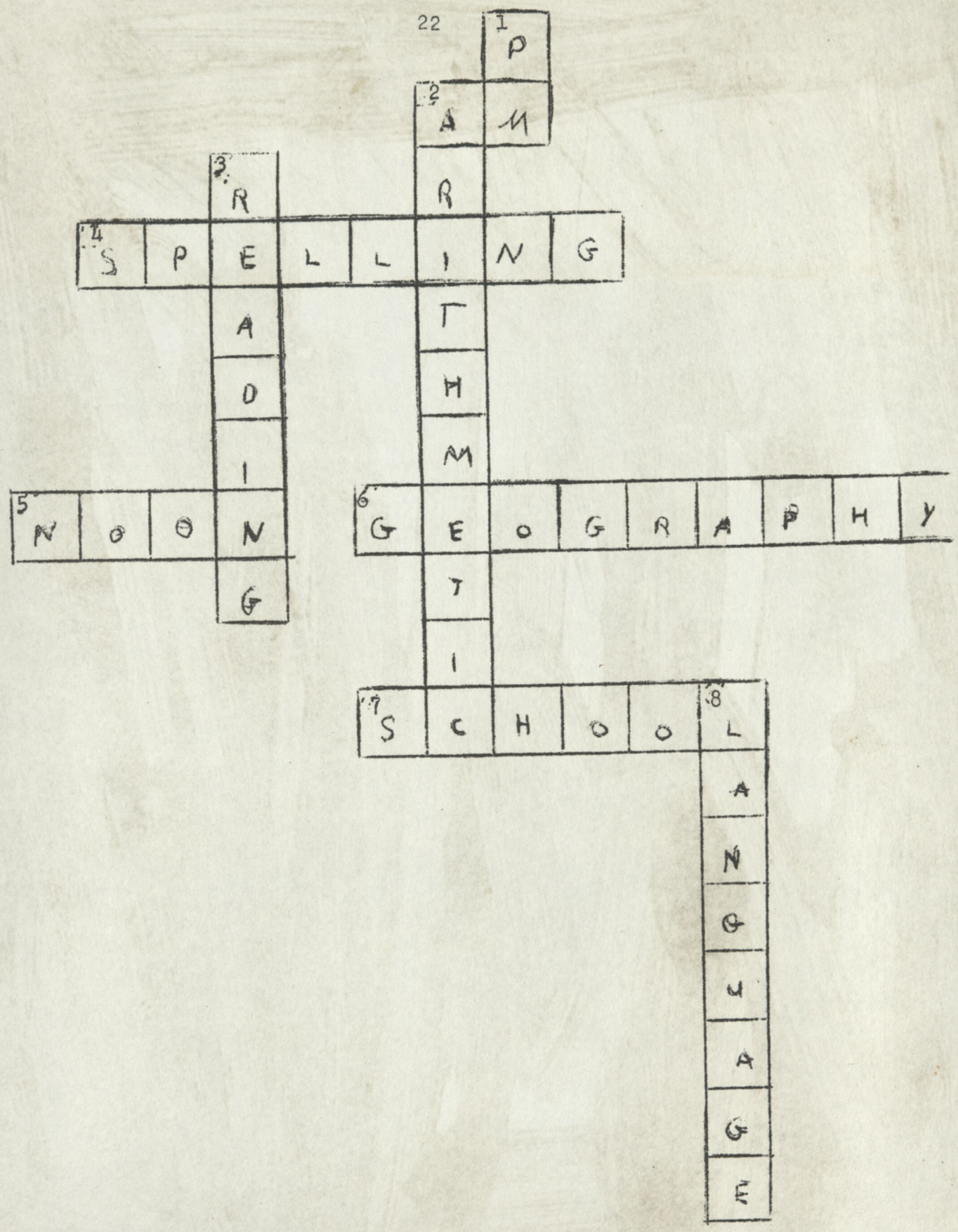
Men's Fashions





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